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NEW HAMPSHIRE

for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

ANNUAL REPORT

Of The

Selectmen, Treasurer, Collector, Town Clerk, Highway Agent, Board of Education and Trustees of the Public Library

Town of Plaistow

For the Year Ending December 31,

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1953

(Terms of Office Expire in 1954 unless Indicated otherwise)

OFFICERS ELECTED BIENNIALLY

Moderator

Clifton E. Cook

Representative to the General Court

Hans G. Seel

Supervisors of Check List

Gertrude O. Kimball Maude B. Duston
William J. Nelson

OFFICERS ELECTED ANNUALLY

Selectmen

Frank L. Leathe, Chairman-1954 Norman N. Roberts-1955
John E. Atwood-1956

Treasurer

Pauline A. Daniels

Collector of Taxes

Frances W. Bramley

Town Clerk

Robert M. Conley

Trustees of the Public Library

Paul D. Palmer, Chairman-1954
Ruth Cook, Secretary-1956 Mary Gilman, Treasurer-1955

Librarian

Helen Colcord

Highway Agent

Ellsworth Reed

Auditors

Clifton E. Cook Paul D. Palmer

Fire Engineers

John A. Palmer, Chief

Donald K. Davis
Elmer L. Libby
Elmer A. Kimball
Parker J. Davis

Constable

Lyman W. Hill

Cemetery Trustees

Frances Judson, Chairman-1954
Nelson M. Schwaner-1955*
George I. Bliss-1956*

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Board of Appeals

John Marshall, Chairman-1956
Donald Gilman-1954
Philip McKeen-1954
Robert Herrick-1955
Clarence Horne-1956

Building Inspector

Samuel Winrow

Police Department

Charles Senter, Sr., Deputy Chief
J. Russell Colcord
John Johnson
Earle Buzzelle
Fred C. Rand
Robert M. Conley

Special Officers

Roland LaFountaine
Edward P. Shaw
Kenneth Howard
Malcolm Wyatt
Robert Jackson

Board of Health

Francis S. Harris, M. D. and the Selectmen

Civil Defense

Arthur Robidoux, Director
Edward McKenzie, Assistant Director

Cemetery Sexton

John K. Merrill

*Appointed to fill out the Board of Cemetery Trustees per order of State Tax Commission.

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plaistow in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Plaistow on Tuesday, the ninth of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Collector of Taxes additional compensation for his (her) services in collecting the State Head Tax and fix the amount thereof at the rate of 3% of the State Head Taxes so collected. This article to rescind a similar article in the Warrant for 1952 granting additional compensation of 2% of State Head Taxes collected.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the construction of sidewalks.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $450.00 for the control of Dutch Elm Disease.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $2,000.00 from the unencumbered surplus of the Town as of December 31, 1953 to a special account to be known as the "Reserve For Fire Truck Purchase" Account.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed $150.00 to acquire Broad Form Money and Securities Insurance for one year, indem-

nifying the Town and its officers against loss of Town Funds due to Hold-up, Burglary, Damage or Destruction caused by Fire, Flood and/or other manner of loss not now covered under present Town Officers' Performance Bonds.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept as submitted the report of the Board of Selectmen resulting from their study of Street Lighting within the Town and vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed $800.00 to be used in carrying out the recommendations of said study.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 as annual compensation for the Building Inspector.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to elect by Ballot one Police Officer for full-time duty in the Town to be designated as the Chief of Police; said office to appear on the Ballot for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955 and each subsequent year. (By Petition).

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue as a highway that portion of the old road from Plaistow to Kingston which runs from the Hale Spring Road in a southerly direction to the junction of the new road from Plaistow to Kingston. (By Petition).

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to convey to Lyman W. Hill for the sum of one dollar and other valuable consideration the land owned by the Town of Plaistow bounded and described as follows: On the west by the easterly limit of the new highway leading from Plaistow to Kingston; on the north by the Hale Spring Road; on the east by the westerly limit of the old abandoned highway leading from Plaistow to Kingston; and on the south by the junction of the aforementioned highways, containing a fraction of an acre; and authorize and direct the Selectmen to give a quitclaim deed to said tract of land to said Lyman W. Hill. (By Petition).

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to convey to Hector and Blanche LaBranche and Oliver and Alice LaBranche for the sum of one dollar and other valuable consideration such land as turned back to the Town of Plaistow by the State of New Hampshire and formerly the property of said Hector and Blanche LaBranche and Oliver and Alice LaBranche bounded by the junction of the West-

ville Road (so-called) and the Danville Road (so-called) and amounting to a fraction of an acre, and to authorize the Selectmen to give a quitclaim deed to said tract of land to said Hector and Blanche LaBranche and Oliver and Alice LaBranche. (By Petition).

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to close the old abandoned Town Road running northeasterly parallel to Route 108 between the land of Osborne and Howard, approximately 25 feet deep and 100 feet long. (By Petition).

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to be deposited to the War Memorial Fund; to authorize and direct the Moderator of the Town to appoint a committee of seven (7) citizens of the Town to locate a suitable site as a War Memorial and to authorize the Selectmen to contract for or to purchase said site, provided that the purchase price of said site is no greater than the $1,000.00 herein appropriated plus the $1,000.00 with accumulated interest now in the War Memorial Fund. (By Petition).

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the purpose of improving the Ball Field at Landman's Field. (By Petition).

Article 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

Article 18. Shall the provisions of Chapter 171-A of the Revised Laws relative to playing games of Beano be adopted in this Town.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept as submitted the reports of Agents, Auditors, and other Officers and Committees heretofore appointed.

Given under our hands and seal, this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

FRANK L. LEATHE
NORMAN N. ROBERTS
JOHN E. ATWOOD
Selectmen of Plaistow

A True Copy of Warrant—Attest:

FRANK L. LEATHE
NORMAN N. ROBERTS
JOHN E. ATWOOD
Selectmen of Plaistow

Plaistow, N. H., February 19, 1954

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attached copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and a like attached copy at Plaistow Post Office and Westville Post Office, being a public place in said Town, on the 19th day of February, 1954.

FRANK L. LEATHE
NORMAN N. ROBERTS
JOHN E. ATWOOD
Selectmen of Plaistow

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year, January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954 Compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year, January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953.

Sources of Revenue

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954
From State:		
Interest and Dividend Tax	$ 2,763.57	$ 2,800.00
Railroad Tax	440.30	400.00
Savings Bank Tax	32.95	50.00
Reimbursement—Timber Tax	127.67	287.60
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Dog Licenses	284.00	300.00
Business Licenses, Permits, Fees	161.00	200.00
Fines, Forfeits, Municipal Court	5.67	
Rent of Town Hall	333.70	300.00
Interest—Trust Fund	5.00	5.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	8,773.39	9,000.00
Reimbursement—Town Poor Acct.	503.50	400.00
Cash Surplus	3,000.00	
From Local Taxes Other than Property:		
Poll Taxes @ $2.00	1,776.00	1,800.00
Yield Taxes	101.71	100.00
Head Tax (Town Portion)		400.00
Total Revenue From All Sources Except Property Taxes		16,042.60
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes		122,964.44
Total Revenue		$139,007.04

PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1953	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1954
Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 4,772.60	$ 4,900.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,104.60	1,000.00
Election and Registration	210.65	600.00
Municipal Court Expenses	203.30	200.00
Expenses, Town Hall	5,116.59	5.400.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department	1,083.51	1,000.00
Fire Department	3,401.19	4,000.00
Moth Extermination, Blister Rust	450.00	450.00
Dutch Elm Disease (Special)	450.00	
Damage by Dogs	168.50	100.00
Health Department:		
Vital Statistics	58.10	60.00
Health Officer	100.00	100.00
Town Dump	651.25	1,800.00
Highways:		
Town Maintenance, Summer	6,454.96	6,500.00
Winter	3,452.02	4,000.00
Special, Sidewalk Construction	559.19	
Special, Town Road Aid	213.83	217.19
Street Lighting	4,463.16	4,500.00
Library	1,800.00	2,050.00
Public Welfare:		
Town Poor	1,169.15	1,200.00
Old Age Assistance	4,103.15	4,700.00
Memorial Day	250.00	250.00
Recreation: Park & Playgrounds	1,162.38	700.00
Cemeteries	299.50	350.00
Legal Expenses	216.78	250.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	229.18	300.00
Payment to County for Tax	6,727.70	9,000.00
Payment to School District	93,918.71	85,379.85
Total	$142,790.00	$139,007.04

SUMMARY AND INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW

Description	Number	Valuation
Land and Buildings		$2,584,360.00
Electric Plants	3	105,950.00
Horses	22	2,200.00
Cows	128	22,050.00
Goats	4	60.00
Fowls	12,085	15,106.25
Portable Mills	1	300.00
Road Building Machinery	10	16,700.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	23	6,625.00
Stock in Trade		296,516.00
Mills and Machinery		70,900.00
Total Gross Valuation before exemptions		$3,120,767.25
Less: Soldiers' Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind		189,700.00
Net Valuation on which rate is computed		$2,931,067.25
Amount of property valuation		
Exempted to Veterans		$ 188,700.00
Exempted to Blind		1,000.00
Number of inventories distributed		810
Number of inventories returned		244
Number Veterans who received property exemptions		191
Number of Veterans exempted from poll tax		245

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK L. LEATHE
NORMAN N. ROBERTS
JOHN E. ATWOOD

Selectmen of Plaistow.

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED FOR 1953

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 4,400.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	900.00	
Election and Registration Expenses	200.00	
Municipal Court Expenses	200.00	
Town Hall & Buildings (Maint.)	5,100.00	
Police Department	800.00	
Fire Department	3,400.00	
Blister Rust—Moth Extermination	450.00	
Dutch Elm Disease Control (Spec. Approp.)	450.00	
Health Department	100.00	
Town Dump	500.00	
Vital Statistics	50.00	
Town Road Aid	213.83	
Town Maintenance	10,500.00	
Sidewalks (Spec. Approp.)	500.00	
Street Lighting	4,500.00	
Library	1,800.00	
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00	
Town Poor and Soldiers' Aid	3,000.00	
Memorial Day	250.00	
Parks and Playgrounds	1,000.00	
Cemeteries	300.00	
Damages and Legal Expenses	400.00	
Interest	100.00	
County Tax	6,727.70	
School Tax	81,239.36	
		$131,080.89

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividend Tax	$ 2,763.57
Railroad Tax	400.00
Savings Bank Tax	50.00

Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	287.60	
Motor Vehicle Permits	7,000.00	
Dog Licenses	300.00	
Business Licenses and Permits	200.00	
Fines and Forfeits (Municipal Court)	200.00	
Rent of Town Property and Equip.	250.00	
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	200.00	
Cash Surplus	3,000.00	
Total Revenues and Credits		$ 14,651.17
		$116,429.72
Plus Overlay		2,784.96
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		$119,214.68
Less: 986 Poll Taxes @ $2.00		1,972.00
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes on which Rate is to be Figured		$117,242.68
Taxes to be Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes		$117,242.68
Poll Taxes @ $2.00		1,972.00
		$119,214.68
Tax Rate Approved by Tax Commission		$4.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1953

Title of Appropriation	Amount	Receipts	Available	Payments	Balances	Overdrafts
Town Officer's Salaries	$ 4,400.00	$	$ 4,400.00	$ 4,772.60	$	$ 372.60
Town Officers' Expenses	900.00		900.00	1,104.60		204.60
Election and Registration	200.00		200.00	210.65		10.65
Municipal Court	200.00	5.67	205.67	203.30	2.37	
Town Hall	5,100.00	345.55	5,445.55	5,116.59	328.96	
Police Department	800.00	52.25	852.25	1,083.51		231.26
Fire Department	3,400.00	37.73	3,437.73	3,401.19	36.54	
Blister Rust—Moth Control	450.00		450.00	450.00		
Health Department	100.00		100.00	100.00		
Town Dump	500.00		500.00	651.25		151.25
Vital Statistics	50.00		50.00	58.10		8.10
Town Road Aid	213.83		213.83	213.83		
Town Maintenance—Summer	6,500.00		6,500.00	6,454.96	45.04	
Winter	4,000.00		4,000.00	3,452.02	547.98	
Street Lighting	4,500.00		4,500.00	4,463.16	36.84	
Library	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,800.00		
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00	681.24	4,681.24	4,103.15	578.09	
Town Poor	3,000.00	503.50	3,503.50	1,169.15	2,334.35	
Memorial Day	250.00		250.00	250.00		
Parks and Playgrounds	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,162.38		162.38
Cemeteries	300.00	5.00	305.00	299.50	5.50	
Damages and Legal Expenses	400.00	284.00	684.00	385.28	298.72	
Interest	100.00		100.00	229.18		129.18
County Tax	6,727.70		6,727.70	6,727.70		
Special Approp.—Sidewalk	500.00	23.75	523.75	559.19		35.44
Dutch Elm Control	450.00		450.00	450.00		
Total	$ 49,841.53	$ 1,938.69	$ 51,780.22	$ 48,871.29	$ 4,214.39	$ 1,305.46
					1,305.46	
			Net Unexpended Balance		$ 2,908.93	

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
TOWN OF PLAISTOW

Assets

Cash, The Exeter Banking Co., 12/31/53		$ 46,472.92
War Memorial Fund		1,000.00
Unredeemed Taxes: Year 1953		3,709.06
Year 1952		355.72
Year 1951		37.14
Previous Years		6.48
Uncollected Taxes: Poll and Property		2,649.80
State Head Taxes		500.00
Total Assets		$ 54,731.12

Liabilities

Balance of Appropriation Due School District		$ 43,239.36
Due State of New Hampshire:		
Uncollected Head Taxes		500.00
Special Reserve, War Memorial Fund		1,000.00
Town Surplus, 12/31/52	$ 8,925.63	
Current Year Net Increase	1,066.13	
Town Surplus, 12/31/53		9,991.76
Total Liabilities		$ 54,731.12

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall—Land and Building	$ 65,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,000.00
Library, Furniture and Equipment	2,500.00
Police Department, Equipment	500.00
Fire Department, Land and Building	6,050.00
Equipment	19,000.00
Highway Department, Equipment	2,500.00
School—Land and Building	151,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	6,000.00

Land and Buildings acquired thru Tax Deeds

Former Owner	Description	Valuation
A. O. Cartwright	House Lot	$ 50.00

L. Demarais Est., Land, Danville Rd.	100.00	
L. Demarais Est., Land, Danville Rd.	100.00	
Charles Hibbert 2 Acres Land	50.00	
Geo. Denoncour Est., 1 Acre Castle Land	50.00	
A. J. Flanders Est., 30 Acres	150.00	
Geo. & Ethel Frost, 8 Acres, Leavitt Land	50.00	
C. A. Kimball, 57½ Acres, 6 Tracts	250.00	
Clarence A. Leslie 5 A., Kelly & Kimball	50.00	
Irving Noyes 6 A., Tucker & Holt	50.00	
		900.00
Total		$255,950.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Permits

1952 — Dr.

Total Amount Received	$ 242.44
Cr.	
Total Amount Paid Treasurer	242.44

1953 — Dr.

Total Amount Received	$8,530.95
Cr.	
Total Amount Paid Treasurer	8,530.95

Dog Licenses — 1953

Dr.

122 Male Dogs @ $2.00	$ 244.00
8 Female Dogs @ $5.00	40.00
Total Amount Received	$ 284.00
Cr.	
Total Amount Paid Treasurer	284.00

Filing Fees for 1953

Dr.

Total Amount Received	$ 18.00
Cr.	
Total Amount Paid Treasurer	18.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. CONLEY,
Town Clerk

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1953

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	$117,242.69	
Poll Taxes	1,972.00	
Total Warrant		$119,214.69
Yield Taxes		101.71
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes		157.00
Poll Taxes		60.00
Interest and Costs Collected		141.19
Total Debits		$119,674.59

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	$111,574.70	
Poll Taxes	1,776.00	
Yield Taxes	101.71	
Interest and Costs Collected	141.19	
Discount Allowed	2,527.19	
Abatements	904.00	
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:		
Property Taxes	2,485.80	
Poll Taxes	164.00	
Total Credits		$119,674.59

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Poll and Yields Taxes

Levy of 1952

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1953		
Poll Taxes	$ 184.00	
Added	2.00	
Total Debits		$ 186.00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1953:		
Poll Taxes	$ 164.00	
Abatements during year	22.00	
Total Credits		$ 186.00

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax

Levy of 1953

Dr.

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Original Warrant	$ 5,990.00	
Added Taxes	175.00	
Total Commitment		$ 6,165.00
Penalties Collected		37.00
Total Debits		$ 6,202.00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	$ 5,525.00	
Penalties	37.00	
Abatements	140.00	

Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List		500.00	
Total Credits			$ 6,202.00

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax

Levy of 1952

Dr.

Uncollected taxes as of 1/1/53	$	560.00	
Added Taxes during 1953		10.00	
Penalties Collected during 1953		50.00	
Total Debits			$ 620.00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during 1953:			
Head Taxes	$	500.00	
Penalties		50.00	
			550.00
Abatements during 1953			70.00
Total Credits			$ 620.00

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Yield Tax

Levy of 1951

Dr.

Uncollected taxes as of Jan. 1, 1953:			
Yield Tax	$	86.40	
Total Debits			$ 86.40

Cr.

Abatements during 1953	$	86.40	
Total Credits			$ 86.40

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES W. BRAMLEY,
Collector of Taxes

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS AS OF

DECEMBER 31, 1953

DR.

	Tax Sale on account of levies of:—			
	1953	1952	1951	Previous Years
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	$3,709.06			
Balance unredeemed taxes—January 1, 1953		2,361.39	335.33	15.74
Interest Collected after Sale		57.95	47.19	1.57
Redemption Costs		6.63	1.66	
TOTAL DEBITS	$3,709.06	$2,425.97	$ 384.18	$ 17.31

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer during Year		1,965.25	347.04	10.83
Abatements—During Year		105.00		
Deeded to Town—During Year				
Unredeemed Taxes—At Close of Year	$3,709.06	355.72	37.14	6.48
TOTAL CREDITS	$3,709.06	$2,425.97	$ 384.18	$ 17.31

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

Bal. on hand, Exeter Banking Co., 1/1/53		$ 65,156.42
Received from Tax Collector:		
1953 Property Taxes	$112,170.64	
1953 Poll Taxes	1,746.00	
1952 Property & Poll Taxes	205.00	
Redemptions	2,246.12	
Interest	81.46	
Head Taxes	5,743.50	
		$122,192.72
Received from Town Clerk:		
Motor Vehicle Taxes	$ 8,773.39	
Dog Licenses	284.00	
Registration Fees	18.00	
		$ 9,075.39
Received from State of New Hampshire:		
Interest and Dividend Tax	$ 2,763.57	
Railroad Tax	440.30	
Forest Fire Reimbursement	37.73	
Savings Bank Tax	32.95	
		$ 3,274.55
Received from Other Sources:		
Business Licenses and Fees	$ 143.00	
Municipal Court	5.67	
Rent of Town Property	333.70	
Reimb. Town Poor Account	503.50	
Reimb. Old Age Account	681.24	
Reimb. Yield Tax Loss	127.67	
Reimb. Police Account	52.25	
Interest, Clara Whitaker Fund	5.00	

Temporary Loans	30,000.00	
Refunds	35.60	
Tax Deed Sale	51.40	
		$ 31,939.03
Total Receipts		$231,638.11
Less Selectmen's Orders Nos. 1180-1774		185,165.19
Bal. on hand Exeter Banking Co., 12/31/53		$ 46,472.92

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE A. DANIELS, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

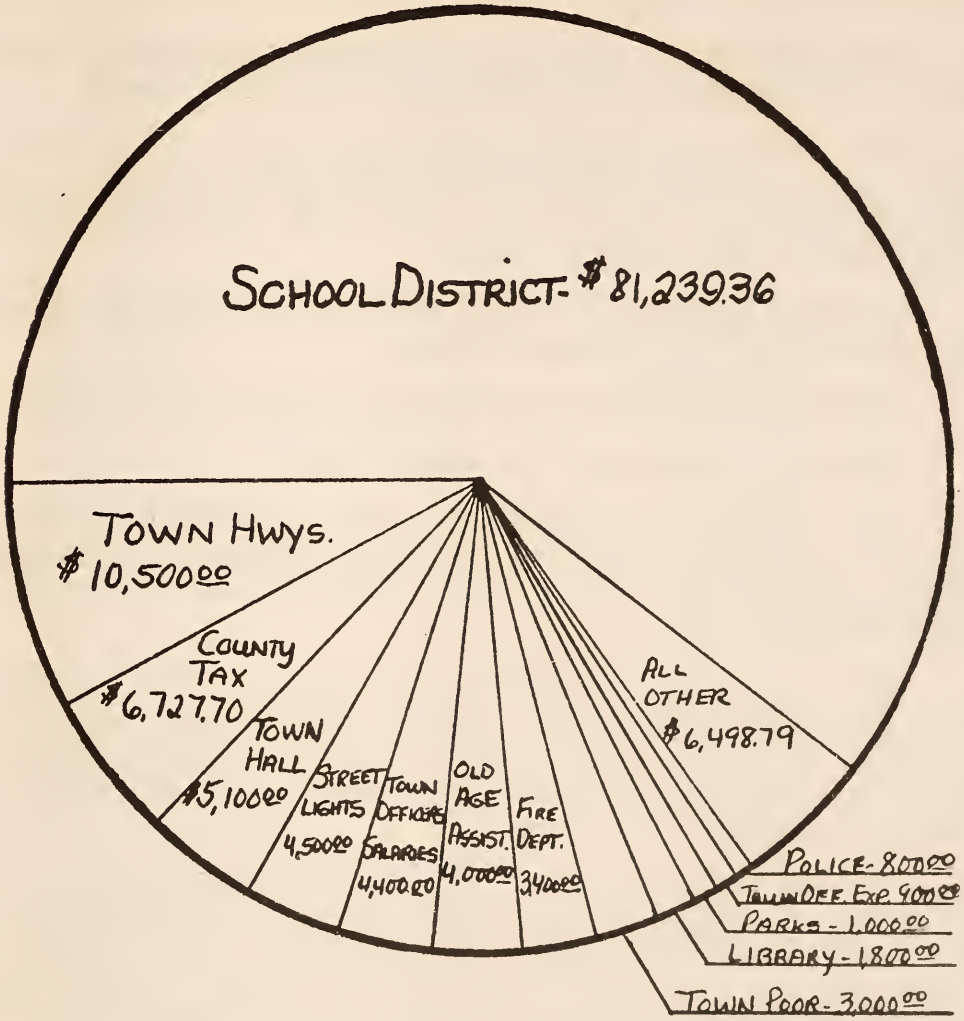
Statement of Condition

The Town of Plaistow closed the year with an unexpended balance of the 1953 Appropriation amounting to $2,908.93.

The Town Surplus was increased by $1,066.13 or a total surplus at December 31, 1953 of $9,991.76. While $6,758.20 of this surplus is in unredeemed and uncollected taxes, experience over the past few years has shown that most of the unredeemed and uncollected taxes in any year are paid by the close of the following year.

Thus it can be seen that Plaistow is in a sound and healthy condition financially.

The chart on the opposite page details the breakdown of your Tax Dollar for 1953:



The following table details the increase (or decrease) in the various types of property, 1953 over 1952.

Type of Property	1953	1952	Increase (or decrease)
Land & Buildings	$2,584,360.00	$2,472,295.00	$ 112,065.00
Electric Light Plants	105,950.00	98,450.00	7,500.00
Horses	2,200.00	1,900.00	300.00
Cows	22,050.00	19,350.00	2,700.00
Goats	60.00		60.00
Fowls	15,106.25	16,581.25	(1,475.00)
Portable Mills	300.00	1,300.00	(1,000.00)
Road Building Machinery	16,700.00		16,700.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	6,625.00	6,625.00	
Stock in Trade	296,516.00	390,146.00	(93,630.00)
Mills and Machinery	70,900.00	73,600.00	(2,700.00)
Total	$3,120,767.25	$3,080,247.25	$ 40,520.00

The following ordinances were enacted during 1953 and duly recorded in the Books of the Town Clerk:

(1) The hours which the Town Dump will be open shall be from 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. on Wednesdays, all day on Saturdays, and from 11:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. on Sundays until further notice.

No dead animals including poultry, tree roots or large tree limbs shall be dumped therein.

Dumping facilities are limited to residents of Plaistow.

Offenses punishable by $25.00 fine.

(2) Parking is forbidden on the West side of Main Street in front of the Pollard School Mondays through Fridays, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Offenses will be punishable by $25.00 fine.

(3) It shall be unlawful to maintain a well or cesspool without suitable stout cover. Abandoned wells or cesspools will either be filled in or suitable stout covers provided. Failure to observe this Ordinance shall be punishable by $25.00 fine.

(4) It shall be unlawful to leave Refrigerators or other receptacles, with doors which cannot be opened from the inside, out in the open and/or accessable to children unless the door or doors have been removed or latch or latches removed. Failure to observe this Ordinance shall be punishable by $25.00 fine.

In response to several requests for an explanation as to what constitutes "Town Officers' Salaries" and "Town Officers' Expenses," the following is a breakdown of the types of expense properly allocable to each of these accounts:

Town Officers' Salaries: 1 Selectman (Welfare) at $400.00, 2 Selectmen at $300.00 each, Treasurer at $300.-00, Town Clerk at $200.00 plus commissions, and Tax Collector's Commissions amounting to 2% of taxes collected.

Town Officers' Expenses: Cost printing and delivering Town Report, All Town Officers' Bonds, Copying Town Records, Printing, Stationery and Supplies, Legal Notices, Dog Tags, Auditors' Fees and other authorized miscellaneous expenses.

January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1953		$ 65,156.42
From Local Taxes:		
1952 Levy	$ 164.00	
1953 Levy	113,350.70	
1952 Levy, Head Taxes	550.00	
1953 Levy, Head Taxes	5,562.00	
Yield Taxes	101.71	
Redemptions	2,323.12	
Interest and Costs	141.19	
		122,192.72
From State:		
Interest and Dividend Tax	$ 2,763.57	
Railroad Tax	440.30	
Savings Bank Tax	32.95	
Forest Fire Reimbursement	37.73	
Reimbursement Town Poor Account	503.50	
Reimbursement Old Age Account	681.24	
Yield Tax Reimbursement	127.67	
		4,586.96
From Local Sources other than Taxes:		
Robert M. Conley, Auto Taxes	$ 8,773.39	
Filing Fees	18.00	
Dog Licenses	284.00	
Rent of Town Property	333.70	
Business Licenses and Permits	143.00	
Municipal Court	5.67	
Interest, Clara Whitaker Fund	5.00	
Taylor-Goodwin Co. Refunds-11.85 23.75	35.60	
Holy Angels Church-Police Coverage	52.25	

James Merrill, Jr., Tax Deed Sale	51.40	
Exeter Banking Co., Temp. Loans	30,000.00	
		39,702.01
Total Receipts		$231,638.11
Total Payments		185,165.19
Balance December 31, 1953		$ 46,472.92

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

General Government:	
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 4,772.60
Town Officers' Expenses	1,104.60
Election and Registration	210.65
Municipal Court	203.30
Town Hall	5,116.59
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police Department	$ 1,083.51
Fire Department	3,401.19
Moth Extermination	450.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	450.00
Damage by Dogs	168.50
Health:	
Health Department	$ 100.00
Vital Statistics	58.10
Town Dump	651.25
Highways and Bridges:	
Town Maintenance—Summer	$ 6,454.96
Winter	3,452.02
Sidewalks	559.19
Street Lighting	4,463.16
Town Road Aid	213.83
Libraries	$ 1,800.00
Public Welfare:	
Old Age Assistance	$ 4,103.15

Town Poor	1,169.15
Patriotic Purposes:	
Memorial Day	$ 250.00
Recreation:	
Parks and Playgrounds	$1,162.38
Cemeteries	$ 299.50
Legal Expenses	$ 216.78
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
County Taxes	$ 6,727.70
School District	93,918.71
Head Taxes	7,861.17
Timber Tax Reimbursement	267.54
Interest on Temporary Loans	$ 229.18
Indebtedness:	
Payment on Temporary Loans	$ 30,000.00
Unclassified:	
Taxes Bought by Town	$ 3,709.06
Abatements	207.70
Refunds	10.72
Bounties	50
General Surplus:	
Leary Suit	$ 318.50
	$185,165.19

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Funds Provided:		
Appropriation 1953		$ 4,400.00
Expenditures:		
1- 2	Frank L. Leathe, Selectman	100.00
1- 7	J. Russell Colcord, Selectman	75.00
1- 7	Norman N. Roberts, Selectman	75.00
1- 7	Pauline Daniels, Treasurer	75.00
1- 7	Robert M. Conley, Town Clerk	50.00
3- 4	Paul D. Palmer	32.00
3- 4	Clifton E. Cook	32.00
4- 1	Robert M. Conley, Town Clerk	50.00
4- 1	Pauline A. Daniels, Treasurer	75.00
4- 1	Frank L. Leathe, Selectman	100.00

4- 1	Norman N. Roberts, Selectman	75.00
4- 1	John E. Atwood, Selectman	75.00
4- 1	Robert M. Conley, Town Clerk	375.00
7- 1	Frank L. Leathe, Selectman	100.00
7- 1	Robert M. Conley, Town Clerk	50.00
7- 1	Pauline A. Daniels, Treasurer	75.00
7- 1	John E. Atwood, Selectman	75.00
7- 1	Norman N. Roberts, Selectman	75.00
9-23	Frank L. Leathe, Selectman	100.00
9-23	Norman N. Roberts, Selectman	75.00
9-23	John E. Atwood, Selectman	75.00
9-23	Pauline A. Daniels, Treasurer	75.00
9-23	Robert M. Conley, Town Clerk	50.00
9-23	Frances W. Bramley, Tax Collector	660.70
11-11	Frances W. Bramley, Tax Collector's Fee	1,111.15
12-30	Frances W. Bramley, Tax Collector's Fee	621.60
12-30	Robert M. Conley, Town Clerk	440.15
		$ 4,772.60
	Overexpended	$ 372.60

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Funds Provided:

	Appropriation 1953	$ 900.00

Expenditures:

1- 7	Postmaster, envelopes	71.92
1- 7	Haverhill Gazette, Auction Adv.	24.84
1- 7	The Union Leader Corp., Auction Adv.	36.50
1-14	U. S. Auto & Truck Guide, Town Clerk Reference	7.00
1-14	Ass'n. of N. H. Assessors, dues	3.00
1-14	State of N. H., Purchase of State Laws	10.00
2-11	Marion R. Roberts, Copying Town Reports	50.00
3-10	Fred Rand, Del. Town Reports	35.00
3-10	The Wood Press, Inc., Printing Town Reports and Ballots	470.00
3-18	Univ. of N. H., Selectmen's Handbook	2.50

3-18	Frank L. Leathe, Exeter trip	5.00
3-18	Norman N. Roberts, Exeter trip and dinners	7.95
3-18	John E. Atwood, Exeter trip & mileage	7.80
4- 1	John E. Atwood, Assessing, mileage and meals	8.49
4- 1	Wallace E. Card, Town Officers' Bonds	120.39
4- 8	Haverhill Gazette, Paid Notices	23.23
4-22	Town Officers' Bond	14.58
5- 6	Haverhill Gazette, Legal Notices	2.60
6- 3	Haverhill Gazette, Board of App. Adv.	5.20
6-17	N. H. Tax Commission, Valuation Cards	5.00
6-17	Edson C. Eastman Co., Clerical Supplies	80.85
7- 1	Frank L. Leathe	.90
7- 1	N. H. Tax Collector's Ass'n., dues	3.00
7-29	Wallace E. Card, Insurance Adjustment	2.46
8-12	Haverhill Gazette, Board of App. notices	5.20
8-19	Marion R. Roberts, Tax Books	65.00
9- 2	Edson C. Eastman Co., Treas. Supplies	5.25
9- 2	Wallace E. Card, Bal. Trustees' Bond	2.46
9-16	Pentucket Press, Building Permit App.	13.00
9-23	Harry Ladd, Post Office Box	.75
10- 7	Charles R. Hardy, City & Town Clerks' Ass'n., dues	2.00
10- 7	The Haverhill Gazette, Legal Adv.	3.11
11-18	The Haverhill Gazette, Public Ads	5.20
12- 9	Norman N. Roberts, Town Tel. Calls	4.42
		$ 1,104.60
	Overexpended	$ 204.60

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Funds Provided:

	Appropriation 1953	$ 200.00

Expenditures:

3-10	The Wood Press, Inc., Printing Ballots	31.00
3-11	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	22.00
3-11	Earl Buzzell, Police Services	17.00

3-18	Gertrude Kimball, Check List Super.	15.00
3-18	Maude B. Duston, Check List Super.	15.00
3-18	Plaistow P. T. A., Election Meals	35.00
3-18	Clifton E. Cook, Moderator	15.00
3-18	Louis Dion, Ballot Clerk	10.00
3-18	John Richardson, Ballot Clerk	10.00
3-18	Edward Noyes, Ballot Clerk	10.00
3-18	Benjamin Legge, Ballot Clerk	10.00
3-18	William G. Steer, Labor, Election Booths	4.95
4- 1	William C. Nelson, Check List Super.	15.00
6- 3	Byron E. Downing, Supplies	.70
		$ 210.65
	Overexpended	$ 10.65

MUNICIPAL COURT

Funds Provided:		
	Appropriation 1953	$ 200.00
	Fines and Forfeits	5.67
		$ 205.67
Expenditures:		
10- 7	Edson C. Eastman Co., Supplies	$ 3.30
12-30	Fred B. Smith, Court Clerk	50.00
12-31	Wallace E. Card, Judge	150.00
		$ 203.30
	Unexpended Balance	$ 2.37

TOWN HALL

Funds Provided:		
	Appropriation 1953	$ 5,100.00
	Rent Received	333.70
	Refund—Taylor-Goodwin Co.	11.85
		$ 5,445.55
Expenditures:		
1- 7	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor Services	$ 20.00
1-14	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	17.00

1-14	Exeter and Hampton, Lights	18.50
1-14	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	10.10
1-21	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	21.00
1-21	George White, Work on furnace	8.80
1-28	Letoile Roofing Co., Smoke pipe	35.40
1-28	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	27.00
1-28	William A. Fulmore, Cement	1.20
1-28	Frank L. Leathe, Work in basement	15.00
1-28	George W. White, Work in basement	17.60
1-28	Joseph Reardon, Work in basement	5.50
1-28	Fred Rand, Work in basement	17.60
1-28	Harold Kidder, Work in basement	13.20
2- 4	John M. Duston, Fuel Oil	36.65
2- 4	Haverhill Hardware, Supplies	3.50
2- 4	Wallace E. Card, Insurance	448.00
2- 4	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	17.00
2- 4	Joseph Reardon, Snow shoveling	3.60
2- 4	Byron E. Downing, Supplies	3.44
2-11	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	8.82
2-11	Fred C. Rand, Labor, Town Hall	17.60
2-11	Harold Kidder, Labor, Town Hall	17.60
2-11	Harry W. Flanders. Janitor	17.00
2-18	Irvin Senter, Fuel Oil	43.90
2-18	Joseph Reardon, Labor, Town Hall	1.35
2-18	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	21.00
2-18	Exeter and Hampton, Lights	16.25
2-25	Harry Flanders, Janitor	26.00
2-25	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	14.65
2-25	Samuel Winrow, Pump repairs	24.50
3- 4	Fred C. Rand, Labor, Town Hall	12.10
3- 4	Harold Kidder, Labor, Town Hall	11.00
3- 4	Harry Flanders, Janitor	19.00
3- 4	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	1.40
3-10	Harry Flanders, Janitor	22.00
3-11	Charles W. Senter, Fuel Oil	46.55
3-11	Fred C. Rand, Labor, Town Hall	17.60
3-11	Harold Kidder, Labor, Town Hall	17.60
3-18	Exeter and Hampton, Lights	13.78
3-18	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	34.00
3-25	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	12.10
3-25	Harry Flanders	17.00
4- 1	Harry Flanders	29.00
4- 1	H. C. Kimball, Fuel Oil	42.91
4- 8	Norman N. Roberts, Supplies	2.10
4- 8	Harry Flanders, Janitor	22.00

4- 8	Edward F. Walsh & Son, Installing Registers	89.00
4-15	Exeter and Hampton, Lights	19.23
4-15	H. E. Tuck & Son, Desk Lock	1.50
4-15	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	25.00
4-22	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	39.00
4-29	J. Russell Colcord, Labor, Material	32.55
4-29	H. E. Tuck & Sons, Keys	2.25
4-29	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	17.00
5- 6	Harold Kidder, Labor, Town Hall	4.40
5- 6	Fred Rand, Labor, Town Hall	4.40
5- 6	Harry Flanders, Janitor	25.00
5- 6	Frank L. Leathe, Truck hire	3.00
5-13	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	17.00
5-20	Reed's Sales & Service, Work on Sewerage System	60.00
5-20	W. A. Fulmore, Cement Blocks	22.80
5-20	John E. Atwood, Plumbing Supply	.60
5-20	Frederick Johnson, Work on Septic Tank	2.25
5-20	Richard Beaulieu, Labor, Septic Tank	7.50
5-20	Robert Loring, Labor, Septic Tank	22.00
5-20	Robert Caillouette, Labor, Septic Tank	9.90
5-20	George Carr, Labor, Septic Tank	9.90
5-20	Exeter and Hampton, Lights	18.55
5-20	Harry Flanders, Janitor	17.00
5-20	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	3.34
5-20	Associate Distributors, 500 gal. Septic Tank	62.50
5-20	L. J. Henderson, Pumping Cesspool	10.00
5-20	Jack Clifford, Plumbing Repairs	5.00
5-27	Joseph Reardon, Labor, Town Hall	1.00
5-27	James Carr, Labor, Town Hall	1.00
5-27	Richard Beaulieu, Labor, Septic Tank	9.75
5-27	Robert Loring, Labor, Septic Tank	17.60
5-27	Robert Caillouette, Labor, Septic Tank	3.75
5-27	Senter Bros., Rocks & Trucking	39.00
5-27	Harry Flanders, Janitor	22.00
5-30	Frederick Johnson, Labor, Septic Tank	5.25
6- 3	Byron E. Downing, Supplies	8.13
6- 3	John M. Duston, Fuel Oil	52.83
6- 3	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	22.00
6- 3	Associated Distributors, Dry Well Cover	14.50
6- 3	Robert Loring, Labor, Septic Tank	16.50
6-10	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	15.00
6-17	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00

6-17	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	22.00
6-17	Exeter and Hampton, Lights	22.24
6-17	Edward F. Walsh & Son, Cesspool Work	162.40
6-17	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	1.20
6-24	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	43.25
6-24	Harry Flanders, Janitor	10.00
6-24	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
7- 1	Harry W. Flanders, Janitor	4.00
7- 1	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
7- 7	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
7-15	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
7-15	Harry Flanders, Janitor	2.00
7-22	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
7-22	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	7.70
7-22	Fuelite Natural Gas Corp., Gas	5.08
7-22	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	9.13
7-22	The Wood Press Inc., Printing	2.50
7-29	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
7-29	Jack Clifford, Part Payment, Toilet Installation	250.00
8- 5	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
8- 5	Jack Clifford, Toilet Contract, Town Hall	465.48
8-12	Harry Flanders, Janitor	2.00
8-12	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
8-19	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
8-19	Harry Flanders, Night Service	4.00
8-26	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
8-26	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	1.93
8-26	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	8.80
9- 2	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
9- 2	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	2.00
9- 9	John E. Atwood, Expenses	.78
9- 9	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
9-16	William G. Steer. Janitor	55.00
9-16	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	4.00
9-23	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	2.00
9-23	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
9-23	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
9-23	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	12.15
9-23	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	5.65
9-30	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	4.00
10- 7	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
10- 7	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	2.00

10-14	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
10-14	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	6.00
10-21	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
10-21	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	7.71
10-21	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	10.00
10-21	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	6.01
10-21	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	10.60
10-28	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
10-28	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	8.00
10-28	Jack Clifford, Light Fixture Repairs	6.88
11- 3	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	12.00
11- 3	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
11-11	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
11-11	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	3.00
11-18	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	1.45
11-18	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
11-18	Gordon F. Merrick, Fuel Oil	55.30
11-18	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	2.00
11-18	Exeter and Hampton, Lights	12.84
11-18	Fuelite Natural Gas Corp.	9.04
11-25	Rockingham Tree Service, Furnace Wood	13.00
11-25	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	9.00
11-25	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
11-25	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	10.70
12- 2	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
12- 2	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	12.00
12- 9	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
12- 9	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	6.00
12- 9	Jack Clifford, Electrical Repairs	22.50
12- 9	Edward F. Walsh & Son, Furnace Repairs	24.78
12-16	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
12-16	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	2.00
12-16	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	5.57
12-23	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
12-23	Harry Flanders, Night Janitor Service	4.00
12-23	New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	13.60
12-23	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	13.44
12-30	D. C. Heath, Work on Tower	150.00
12-30	William G. Steer, Janitor	55.00
		$ 5,116.59
	Unexpended Balance	$ 328.96

Summary of Town Hall Expenses

Heat		$ 291.14
Light		164.69
Telephone		138.21
Insurance		448.00
Gas		14.12
Labor:		
Janitor's Salary (Steer)	$ 1,595.00	
Janitor's Services (Flanders)	640.00	
Other Labor	182.95	
		$ 2,417.95
Materials and Supplies		53.19
Repairs		301.61
Improvements:		
Toilets	$ 715.48	
Cesspool	483.20	
Installing Registers	89.00	
		$ 1,287.68
Total		$ 5,116.59

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Funds Provided:		
Appropriation 1953		$ 800.00
Reimbursement, Holy Angels Church		52.25
		$ 852.25
Expenditures:		
1- 7	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	$ 43.90
1-14	The Wood Press Inc., Stationery	6.00
3- 4	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	31.50
3-25	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	31.96
4-15	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	34.80
5-13	Sumner W. Main, Police Reports	6.30
5-13	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	30.48

5-26	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	6.25
5-27	Fred C. Rand, Police Work	2.00
6- 3	Fred C. Rand, Police Services	9.50
6- 3	Charles Senter, Police Services	6.50
6- 3	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	44.05
6-24	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	9.50
6-24	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	53.59
7- 1	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	9.50
7- 8	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	13.00
7- 8	Weston Emergency Light Co., Police Light	11.00
7- 8	Fred C. Rand, Police Services	6.50
7- 8	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	63.32
7-15	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	25.35
7-15	Stanley T. Herrick, Police Services	12.70
7-15	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	9.50
7-22	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	9.50
7-22	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	14.20
7-22	Stanley T. Herrick, Police Services	8.00
7-29	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	25.63
7-29	Stanley T. Herrick, Police Services	9.50
8- 5	The Wood Press Inc., Police Paper Supplies	8.00
8- 5	Weston Emergency Light Co., Police Billie	3.25
8- 5	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	28.35
8-12	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	14.86
8-12	Stanley T. Herrick, Police Services	9.50
8-19	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	20.05
8-19	Stanley T. Herrick, Police Services	9.50
8-26	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	19.20
8-26	Stanley T. Herrick, Police Services	9.50
9- 2	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	24.66
9- 2	Stanley Herrick, Police Services	11.50
9- 9	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	19.00
9- 9	Stanley Herrick, Police Services	17.50
9- 9	Fred C. Rand, Police Services	19.00
9- 9	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	33.62
9-16	Weston Emergency Light Co., Police Badges	11.80
9-16	Stanley Herrick, Police Services	9.50
9-16	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	13.30
9-23	Fuller Regalia & Costume, Police Badge	4.33
9-30	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	16.25

10- 7	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	4.00
10-14	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	6.00
10-14	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	11.43
10-14	Fred C. Rand, Police Services	3.00
10-21	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	6.00
10-28	Lyman W. Hill, Police Services	8.05
11- 3	Kenneth Howard, Police Services	13.00
11- 3	Charles Senter, Sr., Police Services	29.30
11- 3	Earl Buzzelle, Police Services	14.50
11- 3	Fred Rand, Police Services	13.00
11- 3	Roland LaFountain, Police Services	11.50
11- 3	William G. Steer, Police Services	13.00
11- 3	Stanley G. Robillard, Police Services	13.00
11-18	Stanley Robillard, Police Services	10.25
11-18	Fred Rand, Police Services	3.50
11-18	Charles Senter, Sr., Police Services	10.00
11-25	George Peabody, Police Services	14.50
12- 2	John Johnson, Police Services	2.00
12- 7	George Wrigley, Police Services at Fire	8.00
12- 9	Charles W. Senter, Police Services	11.00
12-16	Malcolm Wyatt, Police Services	2.00
12-16	John Johnson, Police Services	7.38
12-23	Charles Senter, Police Services	25.90
12-30	Charles Senter, Police Services	6.50
		$ 1,083.51
	Overexpended	$ 231.26

Summary

Police Services:	
Lyman W. Hill	$ 594.55
Charles W. Senter, Sr.	175.45
Stanley Herrick	97.20
Fred C. Rand	56.50
Stanley Robillard	23.25
Earl Buzzelle	14.50
George Peabody	14.50
Kenneth Howard	13.00
William G. Steer	13.00
Roland LaFountaine	11.50

John Johnson	9.38	
George Wrigley	8.00	
Malcolm Wyatt	2.00	
		$ 1,032.83
Supplies		50.68
Total		$ 1,083.51

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Funds Provided:

Appropriation 1953	$ 3,400.00	
Forest Fire Reimbursement	37.73	
		$ 3,437.73

Expenditures:

1-14	Russell Heel Co., Tel.	$ 1.70
1-14	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	8.20
2- 4	Irvin Senter, Fuel Oil	26.60
2- 4	Wallace E. Card, Insurance	75.00
2-11	Russell Heel Co., Tel. Ext.	1.70
2-18	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	8.36
3-11	Russell Heel Co., Tel.	1.70
3-18	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	6.37
3-18	Gordon E. Merrick, Fuel Oil	29.93
4- 8	Davis Garage, Fuel & Service	113.68
4- 8	Wallace E. Card, Insurance	276.62
4- 8	Fred Rand, Janitor Fire House	50.00
4- 8	Russell Heel Co.,Telephone	1.70
4-15	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	6.03
5- 6	Wallace E. Card, Insurance	4.00
5- 6	Gordon F. Merrick, Fuel Oil	6.65
5- 6	John M. Duston, Fuel Oil	6.40
5-20	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	4.57
6- 3	P. A. Wood, Repairs Fire Truck	36.25
7- 8	E. A. Kimball, Forest Fire Payroll	18.40
7-15	Wallace E. Card, Insurance	108.24
7-15	Smiths Fire Equip., Recharges	11.50
7-22	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	7.70

8- 5	N. H. State Firemens' Assn. 1953 Dues	28.00
8- 5	Russell Heel Co., Telephone	5.10
8- 5	P. A. Wood, Supplies	18.00
8- 5	Albree Bros., Fire Coats	24.51
8- 5	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	3.49
8- 5	Davis Garage, Gas & Supplies	108.44
8- 5	E&J Co. of N. E. Resuscitator Supplies	1.67
8-12	E. A. Kimball, Fire Warden Forest Fire Payroll	17.70
8-19	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co. Service	.12
9-23	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co. Service	4.58
9-23	P. A. Wood, Fire Equipment	6.60
9-23	Haverhill Rubber Co. Fire Equipment	10.50
9-23	P. A. Wood, Badges	16.48
10-14	Haverhill Rubber Co. Supplies	8.40
10-14	Eastern Fire Equip. Co. Supplies	4.00
10-14	P. A. Wood, Hose Supplies	38.25
10-14	Russell Heel Co. Telephone	1.70
10-21	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	3.85
10-21	E. A. Kimball, Woods Fire Payroll	40.55
11-25	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	11.38
12- 2	Russell Heel Co. Telephone	1.70
12- 2	Gordon F. Merrick, Fuel Oil	25.20
12- 2	R. W. Cheney & Son Lumber	129.84
12- 2	Haverhill Rubber Co. Rubber Boots	29.16
12- 2	Frank M. Grant, Supplies	61.27
12- 2	Reed Sales & Service Water Hole Excavation	235.00
12- 2	Wallace E. Card, Insurance	5.60
12- 2	E. A. Kimball, Labor & Supplies	187.03
12- 2	John M. Duston, Fuel Oil	28.35
12-23	P. A. Wood, Scott Air Pak	206.75
12-23	Charles E. Jenne, Burner Rep.	27.96
12-30	Davis Garage, Fuel & Supplies	85.51

12-30	P. A. Wood, Rep., Tank Truck	9.50	
12-30	P. A. Wood, Equipment	79.70	
12-31	Fire Department Payroll	1,124.00	
			$ 3,401.19
	Unexpended Balance		$ 36.54

Summary of Fire Department Expense

Equipment:		
Scott Air-Pak	$ 206.75	
Rubber Coats	24.51	
Rubber Boots	29.16	
Badges	16.48	
Fuel, Services and Repairs	577.17	
Other	17.10	
		$ 871.17
Fire House:		
Lights	$ 64.65	
Heat	123.13	
Telephone	14.30	
Janitor	50.00	
Repairs	27.96	
		$ 280.04
Fire Department Payroll		1,124.00
Woods Fire Payroll		76.65
Insurance		469.46
N. H. Fire Assn. Dues		28.00
Fire Hole Construction		551.87
Total		$ 3,401.19

MOTH EXTERMINATION AND BLISTER RUST DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL (SPECIAL)

Funds Provided:	
Appropriations: Moth	$ 450.00

	Dutch Elm		450.00
		$	900.00

Expenditures:

5-13	Rockingham Tree Ser., Spray Dutch Elm	306.00	
5-20	Louis J. Dion, Tree Spraying Supervision	25.00	
6-24	Rockingham Tree Ser., Spray Moth Spray	380.00	
11-25	Rockingham Tree Ser., Tree Removal	189.00	
			$ 900.00
Balance			

DAMAGE BY DOGS

Funds Provided:

Appropriation 1953	$ 100.00	
Dog Licenses	284.00	
		$ 384.00

Expenditures:

3-25	Lyman W. Hill, Services	4.00
4- 8	Charles W. Senter, Dog Officer	8.00
5- 6	Thomas Harrower, Pay't hens	41.00
5-20	Charles W. Senter, Sr. Services	6.00
6-24	Charles W. Senter, Services	8.00
6-24	Lyman W. Hill, Services	1.75
7- 1	Charles Senter, Services	2.00
7- 8	Charles Senter, Services	2.00
7-15	Lyman W. Hill, Services	1.75
7-15	Charles W. Senter, Services	5.00
8- 5	Charles W. Senter, Picking up dogs	14.00
9- 9	Charles W. Senter, Services	10.00
10- 7	Charles W. Senter, Services	8.00
10-21	Charles W. Senter, Services	26.00

10-21	Edward Noyes, Disposal of Wild Dogs	5.00	
11-18	Charles W. Senter, Services	10.00	
12- 9	Charles W. Senter, Services	6.00	
12-30	Charles W. Senter, Services	10.00	
		$	168.50
	Unexpended Balance	$	215.50

Summary

Charles W. Senter, Sr.	$ 115.00	
Lyman W. Hill	7.50	
Thomas Harrower, Reimb. for Hens	41.00	
Edward Noyes, Disposal of Wild Dogs	5.00	
	$	168.50

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Funds Provided:			
Appropriation 1953		$	100.00
Expenditures:			
4- 8	Robert W. Tower, M. D. Health Officers Salary	$ 100.00	
		$	100.00

VITAL STATISTICS

Funds Provided:			
Appropriation 1953		$	50.00
Expenditures:			
4- 8	Frank B. Nay, Registrar Probate List of Deaths	.50	
12- 9	John W. A. Green, Recording Fees	57.60	
		$	58.10
	Overexpended	$	8.10

TOWN DUMP

Funds Provided:

	Appropriation 1953	$	500.00
Expenditures:			
3- 4	Reed's Sales & Service, Pushing in Dump	$	35.00
4-22	Reed's Sales & Service, Bulldozing Dump		35.00
4-29	Stanley Robillard, Care of Dump		29.15
6-10	Ervin Hill, Bulldozing Dump		35.00
6-17	Robert Loring, Raking Dump		4.40
8- 5	Charles Yates, Cleaning Dump		8.80
8- 5	Frederick Johnson, Cleaning Dump		8.80
8- 5	Stanley Robillard, Cleaning Dump		8.80
8- 5	Robert Loring, Cleaning Dump		8.80
9- 9	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		18.70
9-16	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
9-23	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		16.50
9-30	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		16.50
10- 7	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		23.10
10-14	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
10-21	George Chase, Painting Signs		4.75
10-21	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
10-21	Thomas W. Watkins & Sons, Work at Dump		120.00
10-28	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
11- 3	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
11-11	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
11-18	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
11-25	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
12- 2	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
12- 9	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
12-16	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
12-23	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
12-23	Frank L. Leathe, Labor at Dump		27.00
12-23	Robert Caillouette, Labor at Dump		6.60
12-23	William Bowen, Labor at Dump		7.70
12-30	Stanley Robillard, Services at Dump		17.60
12-30	Charles Senter, Burning of dead hens		7.85
		$	651.25
	Overexpended	$	151.25

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Summer

Funds Provided:

Appropriation 1953		$ 6,500.00

Expenditures:

2-11	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	$ 17.60
3- 4	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	1.97
3- 4	Rock Asphalt Corp., Cold Patch	17.64
3- 4	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	102.40
3-18	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	88.70
3-25	Rock Asphalt Corp., Cold Patch	19.80
3-25	Gordon's Garage, Plow Repairs	70.00
3-25	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	393.10
4- 1	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	572.00
4- 8	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	165.20
4-15	Rock Asphalt Corp., Cold Patch	24.74
4-15	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	120.00
4-22	Sheet Metal Specialties, Signs	18.00
4-29	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	200.00
5- 6	Rock Asphalt Corp., Cold Patch	41.40
5- 6	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	84.80
5-13	Highway Department, Payroll	33.60
5-13	Rock Asphalt Corp., Hot Top	8.75
5-20	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	33.60
6-10	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	263.00
6-17	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	255.10
6-17	Rock Asphalt Corp., Road Tar	1,377.88
6-24	Rock Asphalt Corp., Rent of Roller	45.00
6-24	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	297.30
6-24	Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, Rent of Grader	322.65
6-24	Frank L. Leathe, Cutting Brush	100.00
7- 1	Frank L. Leathe, Cutting Brush	68.00
7- 1	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	88.00
7- 7	Frank L. Leathe, Cutting Brush	48.00
7- 8	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	187.20
7-15	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	212.00
7-22	Rock Asphalt Corp., Road Top	36.74
7-22	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	219.60
7-22	Frank L. Leathe, Cutting Brush	94.00
7-29	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	162.40

8- 5	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	250.86
8- 5	Frank L. Leathe, Cutting Brush	23.20
8-12	Ellsworth Reed, Picking up Brush	60.00
9- 9	R. G. Watkins & Sons, Inc., Bulldozing	69.75
10-21	Rock Asphalt Corp., Road Patch	40.18
10-21	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	127.20
10-21	George Chase, Painting Signs	5.00
11-18	Treasurer, State of N. H., Use of Grader	43.50
11-18	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	45.10
		$ 6,454.96
	Unexpended Balance	$ 45.04

Winter

Funds Provided:

	Appropriation 1953	$ 4,000.00

Expenditures:

1- 2	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	$ 67.20
1-14	White's Welding Shop, Rep. to Plow	220.63
1-14	R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc., Plow Parts	19.85
1-14	Ellsworth Reed, Snow Removal	791.50
1-21	Ellsworth Reed, Snow Removal	239.10
1-21	J. E. Faltin, Freight on Plow Parts	1.80
1-28	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	133.20
2- 4	White's Welding Shop, Work on Plow	13.84
2- 4	Merrimack Farmer's Exchange, Road Salt	49.60
2-11	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	183.00
2-11	R. C. Hazelton Co., Plow Parts	30.00
2-11	J. E. Faltin Motor Trans., Freight on Plow Part	1.80
2-18	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	365.10
4- 8	R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc., Sander Parts	5.80
4-22	Exeter Feed & Supply Co., Road Salt	47.80
4-22	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	51.20
11-18	The Merrimac Farmer's Exchange, Road Salt	154.80
12- 9	Ellsworth Reed, Payroll	100.80

12-31 R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc., Snow Plow		975.00
	$	3,452.02
Unexpended Balance	$	547.98

SUMMARY OF TOWN MAINTENANCE EXPENSE

Town Maintenance			
Summer:			
Payroll	$ 3,918.76		
Road Tar	1,377.88		
Cold Patch	103.58		
Hot Top	85.67		
Cutting Brush	393.20		
Rent of Grader and Roller	480.90		
Signs	23.00		
Supplies	1.97		
		$	6,384.96
Winter:			
Sanding and Snow Removal	$ 1,931.10		
Purchase of Plow	975.00		
Rebuilding Plow	357.92		
Road Salt	252.20		
Sander Parts	5.80		
		$	3,522.02
		$	9,906.98

SIDEWALKS
(Special Appropriation)

Funds Provided:		
Appropriation 1953	$	500.00
Refund, Taylor, Goodwin Co.		23.75
	$	523.75
Expenditures:		
7-15 Ralph Mayotte, Sidewalk Work	$	26.40

7-15	Robert Loring, Sidewalk Work	26.40
7-22	Ralph Mayotte, Sidewalk Work	35.20
7-22	Robert Loring, Sidewalk Work	35.20
7-22	Robert Loring, Sidewalk Work	26.40
7-29	Ralph Mayotte, Sidewalk Work	17.60
7-29	Robert Loring, Sidewalk Work	17.60
7-29	Joseph Reardon, Sidewalk Work	5.50
7-29	Robert Caillouette, Sidewalk Work	11.00
7-29	Frederick Johnson, Sidewalk Work	2.20
8- 5	Trimount Bituminous, Hot Top	281.26
8- 5	Taylor Goodwin Co., Sidewalk Supplies	74.43
		$ 559.19
	Overexpended	$ 35.44

Summary

Lumber	$ 203.50
Hot Top	281.26
Labor	74.43
	$ 559.19

STREET LIGHTING

Funds Provided:		
	Appropriation 1953	$ 4,500.00
Expenditures:		
1- 7	Exeter and Hampton	$ 371.93
2- 4	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
3- 4	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
4- 8	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
5-20	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
6- 3	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
8-12	Exeter and Hampton	743.86
9- 9	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
10- 7	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
11- 3	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
12- 9	Exeter and Hampton	371.93
		$ 4,463.16
	Unexpended Balance	$ 36.84

TOWN ROAD AID

Funds Provided:		
Appropriation 1953	$	213.83
Expenditures:		
6-17 Treasurer, State of N. H., Town Road Aid Appropriation	$	213.83
	$	213.83

LIBRARY

Funds Provided:		
Appropriation 1953	$	1,800.00
Expenditures:		
1-14 Library	$	400.00
3-18 Library		500.00
7-22 Library		900.00
	$	1,800.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Funds Provided:		
Appropriation 1953	$	4,000.00
Reimbursement, Old Age Assistance		681.24
	$	4,681.24
Expenditures:		
1- 7 State of N. H.	$	349.86
2- 4 State of N. H.		342.25
2- 4 State of N. H.		9.50
3- 4 State of N. H.		354.13
3-25 State of N. H.		319.50
4-29 State of N. H.		355.45
5-20 Charles W. Senter		5.00
5-27 State of N. H.		420.69
7- 1 State of N. H.		332.94

7-29	State of N. H.	337.50
9- 2	State of N. H.	307.50
10- 7	State of N. H.	331.35
10-28	State of N. H.	334.13
12- 2	State of N. H.	303.35
		$ 4,103.15
	Unexpended Balance	$ 578.09

TOWN POOR

Funds Provided:

Appropriation 1953	$ 3,000.00
Reimbursement, Town Poor	503.50
	$ 3,503.50

Expenditures:

1-28	Ruth G. Thorsen, Care of Children	$ 105.00
1-28	Robert S. Walker, Care of Child	45.00
2-18	Edwin F. Decatur, M.D., Med. Serv.	20.00
2-18	The Exeter Hospital, Hospital Care	58.17
2-18	Edwin D. Lee, M. D., Med. Ser.	10.00
2-25	Ruth G. Thorsen, Care of Children	105.00
3- 4	Robert S. Walker, Care of Child	40.00
3-10	Willard C. Montgomery, M. D. Med. Ser.	20.00
3-25	Ruth G. Thorsen, Care of Children	110.00
4- 1	Fred St. Laurent, Wood, Welfare	9.50
4- 1	Paquette's Market, Welfare Order	15.00
4- 8	Cloverleaf Dairy Inc., Welfare Order	3.60
4-15	Robert S. Walker, Care of Child	40.00
4-29	Ruth G. Thorsen, Care of Children	105.00
5-20	Cloverleaf Dairy Inc., Welfare Order	5.04
5-20	Exeter and Hampton, Welfare	5.17
5-20	Westville Market, Welfare Order	10.00
5-27	Cloverleaf Dairy Inc., Welfare Order	2.52
5-27	Westville Market, Welfare Order	15.00
5-27	Ruth G. Thorsen, Care of Children	105.00
6- 3	Byron E. Downing, Welfare Order	15.00
6- 3	Robert S. Walker, Care of Child	35.00
6- 3	Cloverleaf Dairy Inc., Welfare Order	3.36
6-10	Robert S. Walker, Care of Child	35.00
6-10	Highland Pharmacy, Medicine	1.50

6-17	Cloverleaf Dairy Inc., Welfare Order	5.88
6-17	Raymond E. Moore, M.D., Med. Care	4.00
6-24	Cloverleaf Dairy Inc., Welfare Order	2.52
6-24	Ruth G. Thorsen, Care of Children	105.00
7- 1	A. & P. Store, Welfare Order	15.00
7- 1	Cloverleaf Dairy Inc., Welfare Order	3.36
7- 1	Everett Marston, Welfare Order	15.00
7- 1	Robert S. Walker, Care of Child	35.00
7- 8	Cloverleaf Dairy Inc., Welfare Order	2.56
7-15	Myron W. Livingston, M. D. Med. Care	4.00
7-15	Westville Market, Welfare Order	15.00
7-22	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	2.77
8-12	Richey Drug Co., Medicine	2.60
8-19	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	2.41
9- 9	John O. Clark, M.D., Medical Care	4.00
9-16	Richey Drug Co., Prescription	5.00
9-23	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	1.20
9-30	Byron E. Downing, Welfare Order	14.54
10- 7	Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.	1.20
10-14	Richey Drug Co., Medicine	1.75
10-21	Myron Livingston, M.D., Med. Serv.	4.00
11-11	Richey Drug Co., Medicine	1.75
12-16	Richey Drug Co., Medicine	1.75
		$ 1,169.15
	Unexpended Balance	$ 2,334.35

Summary of Town Poor Expense

Care of Children	$ 865.00
Welfare Orders	165.63
Medical Care	66.00
Hospital Care	58.17
Medicine	14.35
	$ 1,169.15

MEMORIAL DAY

Funds Provided:		
	Appropriation 1953	$ 250.00
Expenditures:		
5-27	Carl Davis Post, Memorial Day	$ 250.00
		$ 250.00

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Funds Provided:

Appropriation 1953		$ 1,000.00

Expenditures:

4-22	Louis Dion, Work on Town Park	$ 61.25
4-29	Robert Caillouette, Work on Park	4.40
5- 6	James Carr, Labor, Town Park	26.00
5- 6	Louis Dion, Labor, Town Park	66.25
5- 6	Robert Loring, Labor, Town Park	17.60
5- 6	George Carr, Labor, Town Park	14.00
5-13	Louis Dion, Labor, Town Park	56.10
5-13	George Carr, Labor, Town Park	44.00
5-13	Robert Loring, Labor, Town Park	44.00
5-13	Robert Caillouette, Labor, Town Park	24.00
5-13	Richard Beaulieu, Labor, Town Park	18.50
5-13	James Carr, Labor, Town Park	7.00
5-13	Joseph Reardon, Labor Town Park	3.00
5-13	Davis' Garage, Gas for Power Mower	3.49
5-20	Louis Dion, Labor, Town Park	37.50
5-20	Robert Loring, Labor, Town Park	22.00
5-20	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	8.00
5-27	Louis Dion, Labor, Town Park	43.75
5-27	Robert Loring, Labor, Town Park	20.90
5-27	Louis Dion, Purchase of Flowers	50.00
6- 3	Byron E. Downing, Supplies	45.05
6- 3	Louis Dion, Labor, Town Park	18.75
6-10	Robert Loring, Mowing Grass	4.40
6-17	A. L. Moore Hardware, Supplies	14.99
6-24	Davis' Garage, Gasoline	4.63
6-24	Clifton Cook, Treasurer, P. T. A. Appropriation	300.00
8-12	Wandrey's Welding Service, Welding Cannon Balls	20.00
9- 9	A. L. Moore Hardware, Mower Repairs	12.67
9- 9	Cherry Hill Nurseries, Shrubbery	170.15
		$ 1,162.38
	Overexpended	$ 162.38

CEMETERIES

Funds Provided:			
	Appropriation 1953	$	300.00
	Interest, Clara Whitaker Fund		5.00
		$	305.00
Expenditures:			
5- 6	Charles Judson, Labor, Cemeteries	$	150.00
12-23	Frances Judson, Cemetery Trustees' Books		30.00
12-23	Charles Judson, Sexton's Fees		110.00
12-23	Charles Judson, Sexton's Fees		9.50
		$	299.50
	Unexpended Balance	$	5.50

DAMAGES AND LEGAL EXPENSES

Funds Provided:			
	Appropriation 1953	$	300.00
Expenditures:			
8-26	Waldron,Boynton & Waldron, Legal Services	$	216.78
		$	216.78
	Unexpended Balance	$	83.22

COUNTY TAX

Funds Provided:			
	Appropriation 1953	$	6,727.70
Expenditures:			
9- 9	County Treasurer, 1953 County Tax	$	6,727.70
		$	6,727.70

SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX

Amount Due School District, 1952-1953	$ 55,918.71
Appropriation 1953-1954	81,239.36
	$137,158.07

Expenditures:

1- 7	Plaistow School District Approp.	$ 10,000.00
2-18	Plaistow School District "	20,000.00
3-25	Plaistow School District "	10,000.00
5-27	Plaistow School District "	15,000.00
7- 1	Plaistow School District, Balance 1952-1953 Appropriation	918.71
7- 7	Plaistow School District Approp.	8,000.00
10- 7	Plaistow School District "	10,000.00
12- 2	Plaistow School District "	10,000.00
12-16	Plaistow School District "	10,000.00
	Expended	$ 93,918.71
	Amount Due School District	$ 43,239.36

HEAD TAXES

Expenditures:

2-25	State of N. H., Head Taxes	$ 2,953.23
4-22	State of N. H., 1952 Head Taxes	361.13
8- 5	State of N. H., 1952 Head Taxes	156.31
9-16	State Treasurer, 1953 Head Taxes	635.00
12- 2	State Treasurer, 1953 Head Taxes	3,755.50
		$ 7,861.17

TIMBER TAX REIMBURSEMENT

Expenditures:

2-11	State of N. H., Timber Tax Refund	$ 267.54
		$ 267.54

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS

Funds Provided:		
Appropriation 1953	$	100.00
Expenditures:		
8-19 The Exeter Banking Co., Interest on Note	$	93.75
9-23 The Exeter Banking Co., Interest on Note		31.26
10- 7 The Exeter Banking Co., Interest on Note		104.17
	$	229.18
Overexpended	$	129.18

TEMPORARY LOANS

Expenditures:		
9-23 The Exeter Banking Co., Payment of Loan	$	15,000.00
10- 7 The Exeter Banking Co., Payment of Loan		15,000.00
	$	30,000.00

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES NOT REQUIRING APPROPRIATIONS

Expenditures:		
12-31 Frances W. Bramley, Taxes Bought by Town	$	3,709.06
	$	3,709.06

ABATEMENTS

Expenditures:		
3-25 Byron & Annabel Downing	$	18.20
3-25 Mary Florence Caillouette		17.50

3-25	Roland Parshley	7.50
6- 3	Edward C. Haskell	38.50
6- 3	Frank Cardoso	14.00
6- 3	Bernice K. Davis	10.50
6- 3	Wm. B. & Margo C. Morton	7.00
6- 3	Helen Copethorn	10.50
6- 3	Harold F. Chard & Hyman Silverman	70.00
6- 3	Roland B. & Barbara F. Hogan	7.00
6- 3	Byron E. Jr. & Mary A. Downing	7.00
		$ 207.70

REFUNDS

Expenditures:

3-25	True F. Wells, Motor Vehicle Tax Refund	$ 2.00
4- 1	Louis M. Heil, Motor Vehicle Tax Refund	2.00
5- 6	Herbert Gebow, Motor Vehicle Tax Refund	2.30
9-16	Edward G. Haskell, Motor Vehicle Tax Refund	1.72
9-30	Eugene A. Campbell, Motor Vehicle Tax Refund	2.70
		$ 10.72

BOUNTIES

Expenditures:

12-30	Russell Sargent, Porcupine Bounty	$ .50
		$ .50

GENERAL SURPLUS

Expenditures:

8-26	John F. Leary, Tax Abatement	$ 318.50
		$ 318.50

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS ACCOUNT

Principal Account

Trust Funds on hand 1/1/ 53		$ 19,000.00
Received during year:		
For Charles H. Ginn Fund		200.00
John Tabor Fund		200.00
Martha L Smiley Fund		200.00
Sansoucy Lot Fund		200.00
		$ 19,800.00

Income Account

Balance on hand, 1952	$	4.50	
Income from funds during year		833.61	
Total			$ 838.11

Expenditures

Paid Rev. Oscar E. Giguere for labor & materials in Holy Angels Cemetery	$	135.28	
Paid Henry Williams, flowers		3.50	
Paid Charles Judson for labor & materials in cemetery		672.33	
Balance on hand		27.00	
Total			$ 838.11

Respectfully submitted,
FRANCES R. JUDSON, Treasurer
Board of Cemetery Trustees

REPORT OF AUDITORS

Plaistow, N. H., February 17, 1954

We have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Collector of Taxes, and Trustees of Trust Funds, for the year ending December 31, 1953, and find them correctly cast and proper vouchers for all expenditures.

Paul D. Palmer
Clifton E. Cook
Town Auditors

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1953, in General Fund	$	163.50
Received from Town, 1953 Appropriation		1,800.00
Received from Sale of Books and Magazines		16.01
Received from Fines and Cards		59.77
Transferred from Encyclopedia Fund		54.36
Total	$	2,093.64

Expenditures

Librarian's Salary	$	581.60
Library Assistants		134.75
Catalog Expense		94.50
New Books Purchased		634.65
Magazines Purchased		83.55
Encyclopedia Purchased		104.36
Rebinding Expense		11.20
Supplies and Stationery		65.04
Postage and Express Charges		19.48
Transferred to Furniture and New Equipment Fund		50.00
New Equipment		5.00
Fire Insurance		56.67
American Library Association Dues		6.00
N. H. Library Association Dues		8.00
Book Week and Reading Club Expense		11.76
Library Institutes		18.85
Balance on hand, January 1, 1954		208.23
Total	$	2,093.64

Trust Fund Account

Annie Dow Fund, on deposit in Plaistow Co-Operative Bank	$	112.31
Encyclopedia Fund, on deposit in Plaistow Co-Operative Bank		245.39
Furniture and New Equipment Fund, on deposit in Plaistow Co-Operative Bank		50.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARY A. GILMAN,
Treasurer

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Our library continues to be a very active one. The trustees are suggesting an additional two hundred and fifty dollars ($250) be added to the library budget, so that we may give the service required and needed because of additional town and school population, the additonal cost of books, etc. This money would be used for more books, salaries, and to start a fund for new library furniture, which we hope to have in the near future.

Paul D. Palmer
Mary A. Gilman
Ruth C. Cook
Trustees

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Co-operation was the keynote for the Plaistow Library during the year 1953.

There was a very close bond of co-operative spirit between the Library and the Pollard School. The making of good future citizens must begin with our children. Good Reading is a great asset— good books and pictures are sent regularly to our school, with hope for the future.

Book-club for the second grade was an important part of the year. Many of our new subscribers were from this grade. A special hour for helping these children choose the right books was given by the Librarian. Bus children were allowed special time to visit the Library each week

Students and teachers from several grades visited the Library for instruction.

A set of "World Book Encyclopedias" were purchased, as well as many books for Adult and Juvenile Readers. Magazines are in increasing demand.

The Book-mobile visited Plaistow four times during the year— giving us a chance to use an additional number of books. The second grade visited the Library on Book-mobile day, and were shown the services of the Book-mobile. More than three hundred books were loaned to the Plaistow Library in 1953.

Book-week was observed by a display of new books, posters, and book reports made by students.

In the fall a tea was given at the Library for the principal and teachers of the Pollard School. The Librarian explained the services available to the school.

The Librarian had the privilege of attending the two day meeting of the New Hampshire Library Association held at Conway, New Hampshire in April. This was a very worthwhile session. Helpful instruction was given on "Mending Our Books" also for "Librarians from Small Libraries".

The Librarian wishes to thank the Staff of the State Library for the co-operation given to our Library. Reference Book requests are often made for recent books not found in our Library because of limited funds. This year one hundred and twelve books were loaned to us, many of these were non-fiction.

New families in our town are always welcome to make use of our Library. The Library is open on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of each week.

The co-operation of the Selectmen, the Custodian of the Town Hall and the Gazette Reporter was much appreciated by the Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen N. Colcord, Librarian

Books purchased	556
Books by Gift	69
Magazines purchased	29
Newspaper	1
Books discarded	194
Total volumes in Library	7028

Service in 1953

Adult Fiction	5,662
Non Fiction	1,064
Juvenile	14,198
Magazines	1,751
Total Circulation	22,675
New Borrowers	103
Library Open	149 days

CARL G. DAVIS POST NO. 34
AMERICAN LEGION

Report of
Memorial Day Exercises - 1953

Appropriation	$	250.00
Speaker	$	12.50
Goodrich Band		160.00
Kaulbach-Leith, 2 Wreaths		8.00
Ammunition		22.63
Boston & Maine Railroad, Freight Charge		12.50
1 Dozen Grave Markers		31.20
Boston & Maine Railroad, Freight Charge		1.85
Marker Fund, Per Selectmen		1.32
Total	$	250.00

REPORT OF THE PLAISTOW MUNICIPAL COURT

Report for 1953

Dr.

Received from Cases No. 398 thru 474	$	1,091.50
Received from sale of writ		.17
	$	1,091.67

Cr.

Paid Motor Vehicle Dept. (fines)	$	594.00	
Paid Fish & Game Dept. (fines)		166.50	
Paid for complaints & warrants		103.50	
Misc. fees, expenses and supplies		226.50	
			1,090.50
		$	1.17
Received from small claims cases No. 161 thru 178			4.50
Paid Town Treasurer		$	5.67

FRED B. SMITH, Clerk
Plaistow Municipal Court

PARENT-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION PLAYGROUND REPORT for SUMMER, 1953

Balance Dec. 31, 1952			$ 58.35
	Receipts		
Town Appropriation		$ 300.00	
Parent-Teachers Assn.		200.00	
			500.00
			558.35
	Expenditures		
Salaries, 2 Instructors		$ 440.00	
Supplies and Equipment		105.93	
			545.93
Balance Dec. 31, 1953			$ 12.42

The Plaistow Playground ran for 8 weeks instead of the usual six week period.

On rainy days we stayed in and played indoor games in the morning and had our regular handcraft program in the afternoon.

We had movies on Friday afternoons for the last hour, cartoons and documentary films selected by Mr. Ghernot Knox, one of the instructors at the playground.

The playground morning program was given over entirely to outdoor activities with the exception of rainy days

Mr. Knox had charge of the older boys and girls and some of the games they played were Volley Ball, Soccer, Soccer, Basketball shooting, Horseshoes, Broad Jumping, Soccer, Basketball, Shooting, Horseshoes, Broad Jumping, Dart Throwing and Croquet.

The younger children, the sandbox crowd, were under my supervision with the help of the volunteer mothers. They had periods of free play, organized games, story hour. All participated most willingly even in the pick-up period.

The afternoon program was divided into two periods, with the small children having handcraft first while the older ones had outdoor play and then changing places.

Those who found it too hot to play on the playground were allowed to stay in.

Besides the handcraft projects they had pick up sticks, card games, phonograph and records, checkers, fish game, and many other games available.

The children made many fine things which were exhibited in the window of Al's Variety Store through the courtesy of Mr. Rivard.

The total enrollment was 113 children but daily attendance of course was not that large. The children were a very cooperative group. No equipment was lost; in fact, in letting the children help take care of it we ended the season with more than we started.

Many parents helped by bringing children by car who would not otherwise have been able to come.

Mrs. Bliss did a fine job in rounding up volunteer workers to help, who were very faithful and a big help to us.

Respectfully submitted
(Mrs.) Barbara Livingston

REPORT of the PLAISTOW FIRE DEPARTMENT

A total of 58 alarms was answered during the year. Eight were fires in buildings, thirteen were calls to the dump, thirty-one for grass and woods, three automobile fires, one plane and two false alarms

Help was sent to Kingston, Newton, and Hampstead on several calls.

Our department received assistance from Newton, Kingston and Atkinson.

The estimated fire loss, including insurance paid was thirty-one thousand, three hundred sixty-nine dollars and seventy-eight cents.

The loss of one life was attributed to an automobile fire and accident.

New equipment added to the department was a Scott-Air-Pack Mask.

A new water hole was constructed off So. Main Street on May Ray Avenue.

Twelve oil-burner permits were issued.

Several members of the department received their certificates in an advanced First Aid Course.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Palmer, Chief

REPORT of the PLAISTOW BOARD of HEALTH

Numerous complaints and requests for information and advice have been sent to the Plaistow Board of Health during the past year. These have involved sewage disposal nuisances as well as other nuisances, such as the disposal of dead animals and other noxious refuse at the Town dump, dangers to Public Health and regulations relative to communicable diseases.

In this matter: communicable diseases; it should be brought to the attention of all persons of the Town that it is the duty of any householder in whose home there is any such disease to notify the Board of Health as soon as any such case has been seen whether or not a physician has been in attendance.

The name, address, age, occupation and the nature of the disease should be given as well as the name of the attending physician preferably in writing so that a record of such cases can be recorded.

Weekly reports of such diseases are demanded by the State Board of Health and such reports have been sent to them, in accordance with Chapter 156 of the Revised Laws. However, the State Board has complained that all such diseases have not been so reported. Therefore the request as stated in above paragraph.

The Board of Health of this Town requests that none but written, signed, complaints; relative to nuisances; or requests for information can be accepted for investigation according to the Revised Laws.

Respectfully submitted

Francis M. Harris, M. D.

Chairman

Frank L. Leathe

Norman N. Roberts

John E. Atwood

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW, N. H., DECEMBER 31, 1953

Date of Creation	Trust Funds Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on hand at beginning of year	Expended during Year	Income during Year	Balance of income on hand at end of year
3-12-12	Moses B. Dow, care lots, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
3-28-19	Runnells-York, care lots, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
3-28-19	Sarah F. Robinson, care lots, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
3-27-22	George A. Denoncour, care lots, Plaistow, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	300.00	4½ %	.....	13.50	13.50	.....
11- 1-24	Sarah A. Hills, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
12- 8-26	George W. Wilson, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
2-24-27	Lorena A. Crane, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
5-19-27	Tucker-Davis, care lots Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
1- 9-28	George E. Shannon, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....

3-20-28	Charles H. Haseltine, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
3-20-28	William Haseltine, care lot North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
3-20-28	Moses F. Peaslee, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
3-20-28	M. Weare Sawyer, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
3-20-28	Rev. Reuben Peaslee, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
3-20-28	Stephen Haseltine, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
3-20-28	Thomas N. Chase, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
4- 7-28	Franklin Burnham, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
4-30-28	Albert E. Eaton, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
11- 8-28	Runnells-York, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
11- 8-28	Belle Y. George, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	250.00	4½ %	.....	11.25	11.25	.....
3-14-29	Charles Holgate, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
3-16-29	John Bradley, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
3-20-29	Jonathan Williams & Wm. C. Noyes, care lots, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	300.00	4½ %	.....	13.50	6.75	6.75

4- 1-29	Maude A. Stansfield, care lots, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
10-24-29	Brickett Fund, care lots, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
6-20-30	Perley Chase Blake, care lots North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
8-21-30	Edward F. Carter, care lots, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
1-15-31	John Badger, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	150.00	4½ %	.....	6.75	6.75	.....
6-10-31	Edson E. Peaslee, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	300.00	4½ %	.....	13.50	13.50	.....
6-22-31	Ralph S. Sherbut, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
10-21-32	Annie F. Fuller, care lots, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	150.00	4½ %	.....	6.75	6.75	.....
11-15-32	Samuel Bartlett, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	25.00	4½ %	.....	1.12	1.12	.....
11-15-32	Dr. Nathaniel Kelley, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	25.00	4½ %	.....	1.12	1.12	.....
4-30-33	William L. King, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
6-16-33	Nancy A. Head, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
12-20-33	Elden C. Smart, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
10- 2-33	Susan M. Clark, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	500.00	4½ %	.....	22.50	11.25	11.25

7-17-34	Charles Sheldon, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
12- 1-34	Stephen Terry, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25 .....
1- 3-35	Rufus Hanson & Preston Goodwin, care lots, N. Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
2-11-35	Eva Curtis Hill, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
6- 1-36	William J. Burns, care lot North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
5- 1-36	James A. Smith, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25 .....
11- 1-36	John H. Noyes, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....
10- 1-36	Ella F. & Charles F. King, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....
12- 1-36	Charles H. Jones, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
12- 1-36	Walter A. Johnson, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25 .....
3- 1-37	Cyrus D. Furber, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
5- 1-37	Abbie L. Wentworth, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
8-20-37	Susie Lyford, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
8-23-37	W. K. Seaver, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....

11-10-37	Alice M. Warner, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	.....	2.25	2.25 .....
2-18-38	James E. Peaslee, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
5- 3-38	Mary E. Kelley, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....
1- 2-39	Willis Seaver, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
1-22-39	Harry R. Seaver, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
5- 1-39	John N. Sleeper, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....
11-10-39	William J. Wilson, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....
1-17-40	Town of Plaistow General Fund, care lots, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	750.00	4½ %	.....	33.75	33.75 .....
6- 1-40	Sarah A. Jennings, care lot, Plaistow, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....
11-19-40	Mabel T. Heilman, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
11-19-40	Hezekiah Cheney, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
11-19-40	Stephen Chase, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
12-20-40	C. A. Corning, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
5- 1-41	Etta L. Titcomb, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	400.00	4½ %	.....	18.00	18.00 .....

1- 7-42	Worthen-Hunkins, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	150.00	4½ %	6.75	6.75
8- 1-42	Mary E. Cass, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00
8-13-42	Bertha B. Alden, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00
11- 1-42	Dr. E. A. Landman, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	4.50	4.50
3-15-43	Nellie B. Peaslee, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00
5-14-43	Keezer-Johnson, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	150.00	4½ %	6.75	6.75
11- 1-43	Edmund Denoncour, care lot, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00
4-21-44	Henry J. Sleeper, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00
9-30-44	George H. Welch, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	4.50	4.50
7- 1-44	William D. Moore, care lot,, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00
7- 5-44	Charles E. Shute, care lot,	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00
11- 1-44	Marchione & Stella DeFatta, Plaistow care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	4.50	4.50
7- 2-45	Gullezian Fund, care lots, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	500.00	4½ %	22.50	22.50
5- 1-45	Anna Noyes Fund, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00

6-22-45	Adaline M. Wall, care lot, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....
7- 1-45	Charles E. Wallace, care lot North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	4.50	4.50 .....
8-24-45	Fred P. & Louise C. Hill, care lot, Plaistow	Co-operative Bank Inv. Cert. Plaistow	100.00	4½ %	4.50	4.50 .....
9- 1-45	Adella Elliott, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....
11- 1-45	Fred C. Buzzell, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	4.50	4.50 .....
3- 1-46	Frank Kilgore, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....
5- 1-46	Arthur L. Walton, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....
5- 1-46	Annette M. Gaudreau. care lot, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....
5- 1-46	George W. Cheney, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	4.50	4.50 .....
5-15-46	Hilary E. Pierce Fund, care lot, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....
7-10-46	James N. & Cyrus A. George Fund, care lot, Plaistow	Co-operative Bank Inv. Cert. Plaistow	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....
7-10-46	Frank Wilson Fund, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	50.00	4½ %	2.25	2.25 .....
7-25-46	James M. Davis Fund, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....
7-25-46	John Duffill Fund, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	9.00	9.00 .....

8- 1-46	Maud H. McDonald Fund, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
11 1-46	Charles H. Pollard Fund, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
1- 2-47	Eugene P. Davis Fund, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
1- 2-47	Nettie Nason Clement, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50 .....
2-11-47	Erunina B. Moxey, care lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....
9- 8-47	George Sargent, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. at Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	2%	.....	2.01	2.01 .....
8-26-47	Johnson & Hudson, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. at Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	2%	.....	2.01	2.01 .....
9-25-47	Joseph S. Hills & Gayton C. Greeley, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. at Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	2%	.....	4.02	4.02 .....
10- 6-47	Cleophas Phelon, care lot, Westville	Inv. at Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	2%	.....	4.02	4.02 .....
11-18-47	James I. Brown, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. at Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	2%	.....	4.02	4.02 .....
4-1-49	Harry E. Hurd, Care lot, Plaistow	Inv. at Exeter Banking Co.	150.00	2%	.....	3.01	3.01 .....
1-1-49	Charles Bracey, Care lot, Plaistow	Inv. at Exeter Banking Co.	50.00	2%	.....	1.00	1.00 .....
1-1-49	Albert S. Faxon, Care lot, Plaistow	Inv. at Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	2%	.....	2.01	2.01 .....
6-6-49	Daniel & Mary Sylvester, Care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00 .....

2- 1-50	E. F. Shannon, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
2- 1-50	Ralph E. Knights, care lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
2- 1-50	Lalumiere Fund, care lot, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	300.00	4½ %	.....	13.50	13.50	.....
3- 1-50	Ida West, Care of Lot, North Parish	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	150.00	4½ %	.....	6.75	6.75	.....
8- 1-50	Domas Gosselin, care of lot, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
9- 1-50	H. Louise Coulombe, care of lot, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
9- 1-50	Guy Smith, care of lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	100.00	4½ %	.....	4.50	4.50	.....
1- 2-51	Stone Lot, care of lot, Westville	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
2- 5-51	Albert V. Geary, care of lot, Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	4.50	9.00	4.50	4.50
6-13-51	Sadie M. Brickett Croy, care lot North Parish Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
11- 1-51	Carl G. Davis, care of lot Plaistow	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
2- 1-52	Thomas J. Dupont, care of lot Westville Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
5- 1-52	William Bergeron, care of lot Westville Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
6- 1-52	Joseph Allard, care of lot Westville Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....

6-15-52	Cyrille Belanger, care of lot Westville Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
7- 1-52	Joseph B. Dupras, care of lot Westville Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
7- 1-52	Harris Smart, care of lot Maplewood Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	9.00	9.00	.....
8-15-53	Charles H. Ginn, care of lot Westville Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	1.51	1.51	.....
8-15-53	John Tabor, care lot North Parish Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	1.51	1.51	.....
8-15-53	Martha L. Smiley, care lot North Parish Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	1.50	1.50	.....
9- 1-53	Sansoucy Lot Westville Cemetery	Inv. Cert. Plaistow Co-operative Bank	200.00	4½ %	.....	1.50	1.50	.....
			$19,800.00		4.50	833.61	811.11	22.50

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL BOARD

of the

TOWN OF PLAISTOW

State of New Hampshire

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Plaistow qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the sixth day of March 1954, at six o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

Article 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Article 4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

Article 6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

Article 8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between

the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

Article 9. To see if the district will vote to pay $102.05 for the special audit of the Plaistow School District financial records for the school year 1952-53 and the 1953-54 school year to September 28, 1953, by the New Hampshire State Tax Commission. This audit was requested by Frank Leathe.

Article 10. To see what amount, not to exceed $900, the district will vote to raise and appropriate to hot-top certain areas around the school building.

Article 11. To see if the school district will vote to adopt a plan for extending to employees of the school district the benefits of title II of the Federal Social Security Act (Old-Age and Survivor's Insurance) as authorized by Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1951 and to raise and appropriate the sum of $125.00 to defray the school district's share of the cost thereof.

Article 12. If the foregoing article is adopted, to see if the school district will authorize the School Board to execute on behalf of the school district the necessary agreement with the State of New Hampshire to carry into effect the plan and to see if the school district will designate the School District Treasurer as the officer to be responsible for the administration of the plan.

Article 13. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate $1,000 and authorize the School Board to purchase a parcel of land of approximately five acres and adjacent to the present school property, from the First Baptist Church of Plaistow and authorize the School Board to deed to the church a parcel of land approximately 50 feet by 20 feet which is directly in back of the present church property, as further consideration for the purchase of the above mentioned land.

Article 14. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to make application for and to receive, in the name of the district, such advances, grants-in-aid or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from Federal, State, local or private agencies.

Article 15. To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Plaistow this fifteenth day of February, 1954.

IRVING S. GILMAN

PHILIP G. McKEEN

J. FRANKLIN PINEO

School Board

The polls will be open to vote for District Officers from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The other articles of the warrant will be taken up at eight o'clock.

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PLAISTOW

Board of Education

Name	Term Expires
Irving S. Gilman, Chairman	1956
Philip G. McKeen	1954
J. Franklin Pineo	1955
Clifton E. Cook (elected annually)	Moderator
Nicholas Kay (elected annually)	District Clerk
Pauline Daniels (elected annually)	District Treasurer
Clifton E. Cook (elected annually)	District Auditor
Paul D. Palmer (elected annually)	District Auditor
Samuel Winrow (appointed)	Truant Officer
Mavis Collins (appointed)	Census Taker
Jonathan A. Osgood	Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

for the

Fiscal Year July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953

Summary

Cash on hand July 1, 1952 (Treasurer's balance)			
Building Fund		$ 720.00	
Regular Account		7,486.76	
			$ 8,206.76
Received from Selectmen (Plaistow)			
Current Appropriation		$ 65,618.71	
Special Appropriations		300.00	
Received from State Treasurer			
State Funds		12,803.29	
Federal Funds		883.02	
Received from Sale of Notes and Bonds (Principal only)		85,168.58	
Received from all Other Sources			
Building Fund	$ 8,574.77		
Regular Account	11.00		
		8,585.77	
Total Receipts			$173,359.37
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year (Balance and Receipts)			181,566.13
Less School Board Orders Paid			172,716.36
Balance on hand June 30, 1953			
Building Fund		$ 7,415.70	
Regular Account		1,434.07	
			$ 8,849.77

July 7, 1953

PAULINE A. DANIELS
District Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Plaistow of which, the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953 and find them correct in all respects.

Paul D. Palmer
Clifton E. Cook
July 22, 1953 Auditors

FINANCIAL REPORT

Of the Plaistow School District for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1952 and ending June 30, 1953

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

JONATHAN OSGOOD
Superintendent
July 7, 1953

IRVING S. GILMAN
PHILIP G. McKEEN
J. FRANKLIN PINEO
School Board

RECEIPTS

FEDERAL AID:		
National School Lunch	$ 883.02	$ 883.02
STATE AID:		
Foundation Aid		12,803.29
LOCAL TAXATION:		
Current Appropriation	65,618.71	
Special Appropriations	300.00	
Total		65,918.71

OTHER SOURCES		
Notes or Bonds	85,000.00	
Other	254.58	
Total		85,254.58
Total net receipts from all sources		$164,859.60
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1952		
General Fund	7,486.76	
Capital Outlay Fund	720.00	
Total		8,206.76
GRAND TOTAL NET RECEIPTS		$173,066.36

RECEIPTS

Total Net Income Plus Cash on Hand July 1, 1952	$173,066.36
Receipts from Refunds, etc.	8,499.77
Total Gross Income	$181,566.13

PAYMENTS

Total Net Payments Plus Cash on Hand June 30, 1953	$173,066.36
Payments Refunded	8,499.77
Total Gross Payment	$181,566.13

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1953

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash on hand 6-30-53	$ 8,849.77	Notes and Bonds Outstanding	$ 93,000.00
		Building Fund	7,415.70
Total Assets	8,849.77	Total Liabilities	100,415.70
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities over Assets)	91,565.93		
GRAND TOTAL	$100,415.70	GRAND TOTAL	$100,415.70

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

DATE		FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
1952				
July	1	Cash on Hand	Balance	$ 7,486.76
		Merrimack Nat'l Bank	Dividend	1.50
Oct.	14	Town of Plaistow	Appropriation	10,000.00
Dec.	12	State Treasurer	State Aid	12,803.29
Dec.	29	State Treasurer	School Lunch Reimb.	141.54
1953				
Jan.	1	Merrimack Nat'l Bank	Dividend	1.50
Jan.	23	Town of Plaistow	Appropriation	10,000.00
Feb.	20	State Treasurer	School Lunch Reimb.	179.16
Feb.	20	Town of Plaistow	Appropriation	20,000.00
Mar.	17	State Treasurer	School Lunch Reimb.	135.84
Mar.	17	State Treasurer	School Lunch Reimb.	119.64
Mar.	27	Town of Plaistow	Appropriation	10,000.00
Apr.	22	State Treasurer	School Lunch Reimb.	158.76
May	29	Town of Plaistow	Appropriation	15,000.00
June	15	State Treasurer	School Lunch Reimb.	95.10
June	30	State Treasurer	School Lunch Reimb.	52.98
June	30	Town of Plaistow	Appropriation	918.71
June	30	Town Clerk	Registration Fees	8.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNT				$87,102.78

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT

1952				
July	1	Cash on Hand	Balance	$ 720.00
Aug.	11	Nat'l Shawmut Bank	Sale of Bonds	85,168.58
1953				
Feb.	13	Plaistow Sch. District	As Appropriated	7,500.00
May	29	Hampstead Sch. Dist.	Sale of oil burner	75.00
June	30	Plaistow Sch. District	Transfer of funds	999.77
TOTAL RECEIPTS BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT				$94,463.35
GRAND TOTAL — BOTH ACCOUNTS				$181,566.13

PAYMENTS

Distribution of Expenditures	Total Amount	General Expenses	Elementary School
ADMINISTRATION			
Salaries of district officers	$ 330.00		$ 330.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	761.11*		761.11
Tax for state wide supervision	594.00		594.00
Salaries of other adm. personnel	572.96		572.96
Supplies and Expenses	573.32		573.32
INSTRUCTION			
Teachers' Salaries	31,793.34		31,793.34
Books and other instructional aids	922.07		922.07
Scholars' supplies	1,033.34		1,033.34
Salaries of clerical assistants	157.44		157.44
Supplies and other expenses	954.74		954.74
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT			
Salaries of janitors	2,682.05		2,682.05
Fuel or heat	1,199.45		1,199.45
Water, light, supplies and expenses	1,529.61		1,529.61
MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT			
Repairs and Replacements	2,817.28		2,817.28
AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES			
Health supervision	1,293.63		1,293.63
Transportation	4,500.00		4,500.00
Tuition — High School	19,138.97		
Special activities and special funds	110.71		110.71
School Lunch: fed. & dist. funds only	1,183.02		1,183.02
FIXED CHARGES			
Retirement	1,849.62		1,849.62
Insurance, treas. bonds & expenses	797.80		797.80
Total Net Current Expenses	74,794.46		55,655.49
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
Lands and New Buildings	87,047.65		87,047.65
Additions, improvements to Buildings	317.27		317.27
New equipment	844.71		844.71
DEBT AND INTEREST			
Principal of debt	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Interest on debt	212.50	212.50	
Total Net Payments for All Purposes	164,216.59	1,212.50	143,865.12
High School Tuition			$19,138.97
Cash on Hand at End of Year			
General Fund	1,434.07		
Capital Outlay Fund	7,415.70		
GRAND TOTAL	173,066.36		

School Year 1952-53

	Share of Superintendent's Salary*	Per Capita Tax**
Atkinson School District	$ 253.40	$ 210.00
Hampstead School District	404.08	364.00
Newton School District	486.89	403.00
Plaistow School District	761.11	594.00
Salem School District	2,619.52	2,018.00
State of New Hampshire	2,275.00	
Total Salary	$6,800.00	

**Paid to the State for Supervision on the basis of $2 per pupil on the enrollment of the previous year.

BUDGET WORK SHEET

This is a presentation of the budget work sheet upon which your School Board is operating during 1953-54 and their proposed expenses for the year 1954-55. It must be taken into consideration that monies appropriated in the month of March, to be used the following year do not necessarily correspond in individual items, because of the impossibility of projecting the rising price indexes twelve months hence. Plaistow School Board

	Expended 1952-53	Appro. 1953-54	Proposed 1954-55
ADMINISTRATION			
1. Salaries of District Officers	$ 330.00	$ 330.00	$ 330.00
2. Superintendent's Salary	761.11	790.49	1,072.50
3. Tax for State Supervision	594.00	602.00	666.00
4. Salaries of Adm. Personnel	572.96	660.17	1,358.30
5. Supplies and Other Expenses	573.32	570.30	736.27
INSTRUCTION			
6. Salaries of Teachers & Prin.	31,793.34	35,976.50	36,989.82
7. Books & Other Inst. Aids	922.07	900.00	1,130.00
8. Scholars' Supplies	1,033.34	1,000.00	1,200.00
9. Salaries of Clerical Assistants	157.44	173.32	250.00
10. Other Instructional Expenses	954.74	1,119.67	1,316.99
OPERATION -- SCHOOL PLANT			
11. Salaries of Janitors	2,682.05	2,830.00	3,375.00
12. Fuel or Heat	1,199.45	1,500.00	1,500.00
13. Water & Lights	1,009.55	800.00	900.00
13a. Janitor's Supplies	520.06	400.00	600.00
MAINT. -- SCHOOL PLANT			
14. Repairs and Replacements	1,330.29	1,140.00	1,010.00
14a. Encumbered	2,486.76		

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES			
15. Health Supervision	1,293.63	1,319.12	1,614.40
16. Transportation	4,500.00	5,500.00	5,200.00
17. Tuition	19,138.97	25,500.00	29,000.00
18. Special Fund Activities	110.71	150.00	150.00
18a. Lunch Reimbursements	883.02	2,376.00	2,655.00*
18b. Lunch Appropriation	300.00	300.00	300.00
FIXED CHARGES			
19. State Retirement	1,849.62	2,011.17	2,645.76
20. Insurance, Bonds & Expenses	797.80	810.00	842.50
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
21. Lands & New Buildings	7,500.00		
22. Additions & Imp. to Property			
22a. Special Room	317.27		
23. Equipment	844.71	1,457.50	1,045.00
24. Payments into Capital Reserve			
DEBT, INTEREST AND OTHER CHARGES			
24a. Capital Reserve Fund		500.00	500.00
25. Payments of Principal of Debt	1,000.00	6000.00	6,000.00
26. Payments of Interest on Debt	212.50	2,812.50	1,790.00
Totals	$85,668.71	$97,528.74	$104,177.54
INCOME			
Cash on hand	$ 7,486.76	$ 1,400.00	$ 1,000.00
From Town Appropriation	65,918.71	81,239.36	85,379.85
State Aid	12,803.29	12,513.38	15,142.69
Federal Lunch	883.02	2,376.00	2,655.00*
Other	11.00		
Total	$87,102.78	$97,528.74	$104,177.54

* These amounts ($2,655.00) offset each other and do not in any way affect the amount to be raised by the towns: They represent the Federal Lunch Program Reimbursements.

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

	Renovating Pollard School	Addition to Pollard School	Total
Oustanding at Beginning of Yr.	$9,000.00	$	$ 9,000.00
Issued During Year		85,000.00	85,000.00
Total	9,000.00	85,000.00	94,000.00
Payments of Principal of Debt	1,000.00		1,000.00
Notes and Bonds Outstanding at End of Year	$8,000.00	85,000.00	$93,000.00

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Plaistow:

This, my 4th Annual Report as Superintendent of your schools, will include information as usually reported by the Principal, the Music Supervisor, the Elementary Consultant and the School Nurse-teacher.

PERSONNEL: The Plaistow children have been fortunate in having a continuity of excellent personnel and except for one change and one additional position caused by increased numbers of children, all teachers returned to their respective positions last September. The School Board selected Mrs. Prudence Douglas to replace Mrs. Helen Dilendik who accepted a position in Haverhill, Mass. Mrs. Douglas is teaching English and Social Studies and has had considerable experience in these fields in Maine previous to having supervised music in this area. Mrs. Barbara Barba of Framingham Teachers College (1953) and Haverhill, Mass., was elected as an additional teacher and is teaching a combination group of fourth and fifth grade pupils. Other teaching assignments are indicated in a tabulation accompanying this report.

Principal Robert Dolph has continued to provide excellent leadership and all Plaistow teachers have continued membership in the local, state and national professional teachers' organizations and have continued to take special courses when possible.

All teachers in Supervisory Union No. 55, during the latter part of the 1952-53 school year, assisted in planning for the three-day workshop which was held September 8-9-10, 1953, on the subject of Mental Hygiene. It is felt that this workshop was of a great benefit to the teachers and ultimately to the children in all of our schools.

Teachers' meetings are held throughout the year by the principal and the superintendent for the purpose of discussing methods and procedures of teaching, as well as to take up with the teachers various administrative details.

The Pollard School is fortunate to have the excellent services of George Peabody who assumed the position of School Custodian as of March 30, 1953.

Miss Gwendolyn Curtis continues her capable work as school nurse-teacher in the schools of Hampstead, Atkinson, Newton and Plaistow.

To replace Carlton Thorne, the school board selected Mrs. Dorice Grillo of Haverhill, as Music Supervisor for the current year. Mrs. Grillo is a 1952 graduate of Lowell Teachers' College, and had taught music for one year in Holyoke, Massachusetts.

As a result of the continued effort and outstanding ability of Miss Natalie Hopkins, Elementary Consultant for Supervisory Union No. 55, the Plaistow teachers have had the advantage of many professional meetings and consultations pertaining to their work with the children. Miss Hopkins has worked with various individual pupils and parents in attempts to assist in overcoming difficulties on the part of those individual pupils.

Although teachers' salaries continue to increase each year, there is still a tremendous shortage of teachers throughout our state and nation, and a large annual turnover exists in many communities.

All school personnel deserves commendation for their efforts and accomplishments.

ENROLLMENT AND SCHOOL CENSUS

From a comparison of the 1953 census figures with those of the past few years, it appears that school enrollment in the Pollard School will continue to increase at an approxmate rate of 10-15 pupils per year. Because of the present relative idealistic figures per room it seems economically advisable to continue the same number of teachers next year although this may necessitate more than one grade in each of two or three rooms.

From the School and Family Census which was taken for the first time last September, we note that there have been 154 new homes constructed in Plaistow since 1943. This is 23.8% of all of the 647 homes in Plaistow. A total of only 72 homes in Plaistow, or approximately 11%, are rented. On the basis of the increase of 47% in the total population between 1940 and 1950 and the number of new homes which are being constructed, it is likely that the population of Plaistow will continue to increase at a relatively high rate, and it is very likely that if the present "extra" room is used in September of 1956, more construct-

ton will be necessary. It will be to the advantage of the school and the community to provide a general activity room which would serve as an assembly hall, gymnasium and general meeting place, as soon as finances will permit.

A brief tabulation of other summarizations and comparisons of the above mentioned census follows this report.

BOOKS, TEACHING AIDS, CURRICULUM AND EXTRA SERVICES

Due to a reasonably liberal budget for books and supplies during the past few years, the Plaistow children have been provided with new books as needed; many of the deficiencies of former years have been overcome.

The teachers, through access to a reasonable allowance for films, have made excellent use of the motion picture projector and many interesting and valuable audio-visual programs have been shown to the children.

During the past year standardized achievement tests have been given to all pupils, and mental ability tests have been given to pupils in grades 1, 2, 4 and 8. It is our objective to see that all pupils work to their capacity.

Since the renovation of the basement area in Pollard School, the school lunch program was transferred from the town hall to the school building and as a result of community cooperation, the kitchen and dining room (recently named the "Rainbow Room") have been partially equipped for school lunch purposes. Comment is made under the heading of "Buildings and Physical Facilites" of further needs of the kitchen. At the present time approximately 200 children are being served the regular government type A lunch under the capable direction and leadership of Mrs. Mildred Libby.

In the field of music, under the supervision of Mrs. Dorice Grillo, the program for the first two grades includes rote songs, singing games, folk dances and some rhythm band work. The third and fourth grades are studying music reading, folk dancing and rhythmic training and in the upper grades two-part songs are introduced in addition to rote songs, music theory and interpretation.

Miss Curtis has continued her capable work of maintaining and improving the health of the school children.

Medical examinations were given to the 125 children in grades 1, 4 and 8 by Dr. Wheeler of Plaistow and a successful follow-up program was carried out through the cooperation of parents. Every child has received a complete hearing and visual test with the same cooperative follow-up work. The regular health program includes the annual screening of eyes and a color perception test. A pre-school clinic was held last spring in conjunction with pre-school registration of the children who entered the first grade last September.

One of the administrative innovations of this present school year devised by Principal Dolph and the teachers has been a very effectively organized Safety Patrol. This consists of new type stop signs which are made of red cloth attached to the end of bamboo poles. One pole is held across the street by a boy on each side of the main street where the children cross, after school is closed at noon and in the afternoon, in order to stop traffic that may be passing the School at the time that the children cross the street. The school has recently received the following citation from our state commissioner of motor vehicles, for this innovation:

> "Governor's Highway Safety Conference Certificate of Merit—This is to certify that the Pollard School has promoted greater safety for the school children by active participation and formation of a school safety patrol. This award is made in recognition of your contributation to highway safety within our state. Presented this 15th day of December 1953. signed Hugh Gregg, Governor, Frederick N. Clarke, Commissioner."

BUILDING AND PHYSICAL FACILITIES

During and since construction of the four additional rooms when new heating and toilet facilities were installed, the condition of the existing building has been greatly improved. New radiation has replaced the old radiators which had outlived their usefulness in two of the classrooms and the entire heating system was changed from steam to hot water. The regular budget which was approved by the district in March 1953, has provided for the usual upkeep of the building and the painting of two classrooms. The manual training equipment has been extended by the addition of some power equipment.

The school lunch kitchen, which is now equipped with a six-burner commercial type gas stove, a three-compartment stainless-steel sink, a large home-style refrigerator and other small items of equipment, will undoubtedly need a mechanical potato peeler and possibly a dishwasher and a power mixer in the future. No provisions are being made for these items in the proposed budget for the 1954-55 school year.

FINANCES

Of the 48 supervisory unions in New Hampshire during the 1951-52 school year, only 7 had a higher average daily membership than that of this supervisory union with 1801.8 pupils. 24 of the 48 supervisory unions had a higher total 1950 adjusted valuation than Supervisory Union No. 55, with $14,876,607. and on the basis of the adjusted valuation per pupil, this supervisory union with $8,257 is 4th from the lowest. The adjusted valuation per pupil on a supervisory union basis varies throughout New Hampshire from a high of $32,020 in Berlin to a low of $7,420 in the Charlestown area. The average per-pupil wealth in New Hampshire according to the 1950 adjusted valuation was $13,897.25.

With the above facts and comparisons in mind, it is evident that there is need for some financial equalizations of educational opportunities throughout New Hampshire; it seems that this might best be accomplished through the extension of the present state aid program.

Since the revisions of the state aid program by the 1951 and 1953 state legislatures, basing state aid allotments on pupil enrollment and adjusted valuation, the amount of state aid received by Plaistow has decreased from $12,803.29 in the 1952-53 school year to $12,513.38 in the 1953-54 school year.

School costs continue to require a relatively large percent of the tax dollar throughout our community as well as throughout the state and nation.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Commendations are extended to all community groups and organizations which have continued their wholeheart-

ed support of the various school activities. Special comment is made to those individuals and groups who have recently contributed toward the expenses of the renovation of the basement area in order that the school lunch program could be further developed.

Again, I wish to thank the members of the school board, the school personnel, children and citizens of Plaistow for their continued cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent of Schools

The following tabulation shows the enrollment in the Pollard School with grade assignments as of September 18, 1953:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Ada Longley	25								25
Edna French	26								26
Hazel Willey		26							26
Ruth Cook		25							25
Hazel Witherell			36						36
Barbara Barba				8	14				22
Loleta Palmer				25					25
Louise Jackson					31				31
Mabel Smith						34			34
Prudence Douglas							35		35
George Hamilton								37	37
GRAND TOTAL									322

The following tabulation (a result of the School and Family Census taken September 1953) shows a comparison between the districts in Supervisory Union No. 55* in total number of homes, percent of homes rented and not rented, percent of homes with and without children (birth to and including 18 years of age) average number of children per home (including all homes) and number of children per home with children.

District	Total Number of Homes	Percent of Homes With Children	Percent of Homes Without Children	Percent of all Homes That are Rented	Percent of all Homes Not Rented	Total Number of Children per Home	Average Number of Children per Home With Children
Atkinson	175	54	46	12	88	1.17	2.24
Newton	378	45	55	**	**	.97	2.2
Plaistow	647	50	50	11	89	1.1	2.2
Salem	1,656	56	44	22	78	1.2	2.2

* Hampstead did not use the same census form.

**Not figured because of large number of homes not reported in census on this particular item.

SUMMARY OF CENSUS FIGURES

Age Groups	1951	1952	1953
Less than 1	32	36	42
1	44	37	46
2	57	39	45
3	41	52	44
4	45	38	51
5	58	43	41
6	38	51	46
7	42	36	52
8	35	39	38
9	35	40	42
10	33	37	39
11	32	36	35
12	34	37	37
13	32	29	34
14	21	38	28
15	23	21	33
16	23	28	22
17	13	14	21
18	3	18	25
TOTALS	641	669	721